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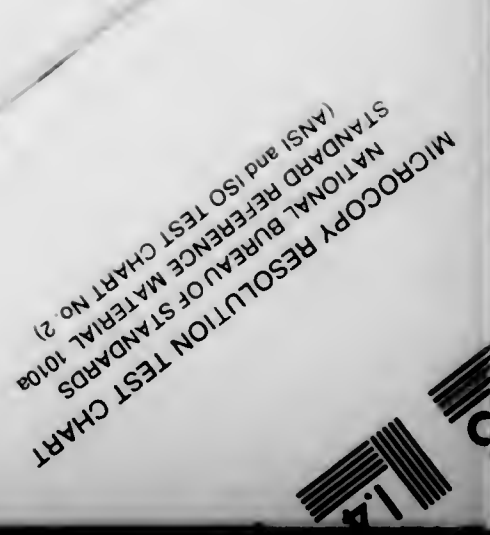
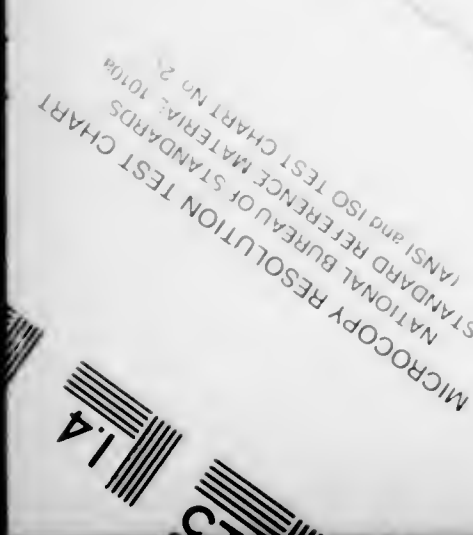
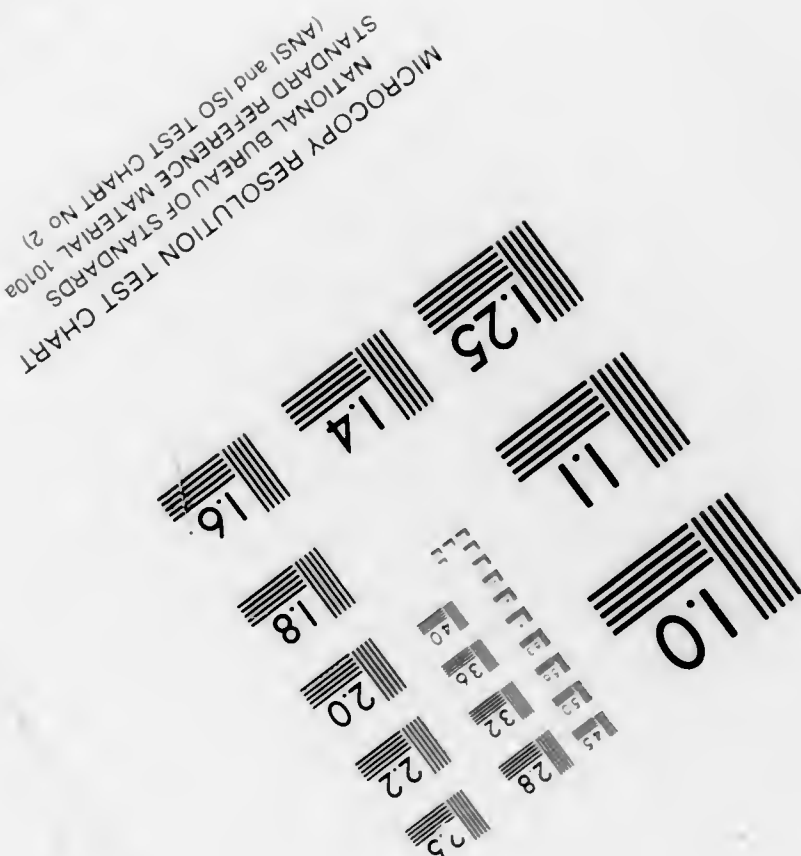
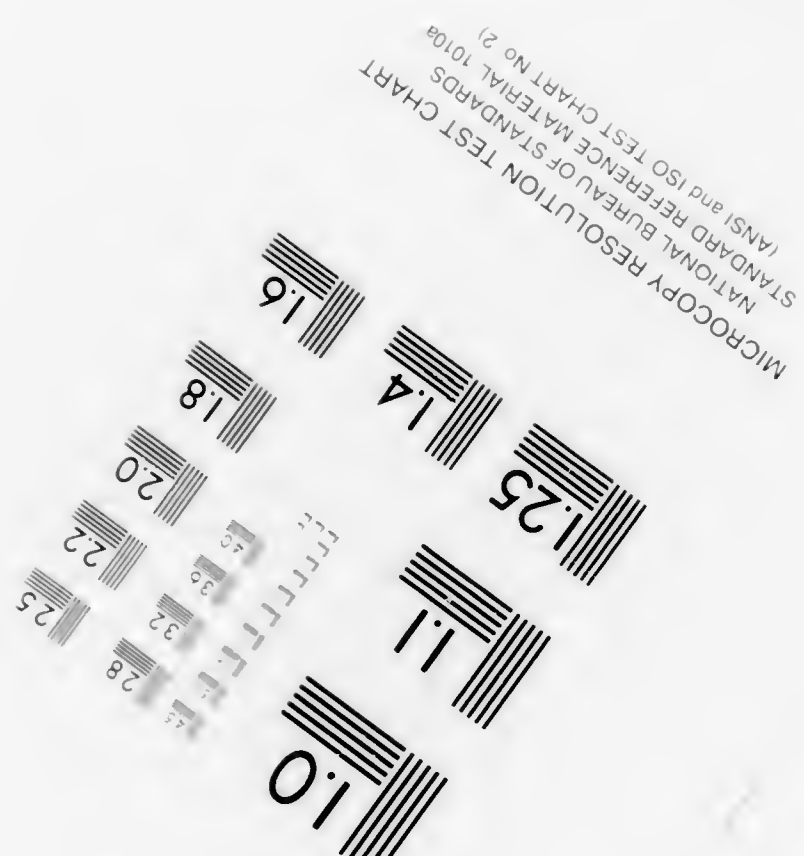
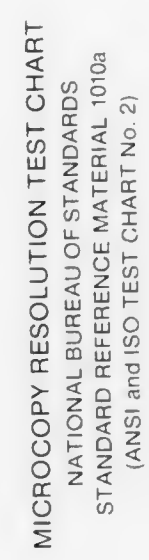
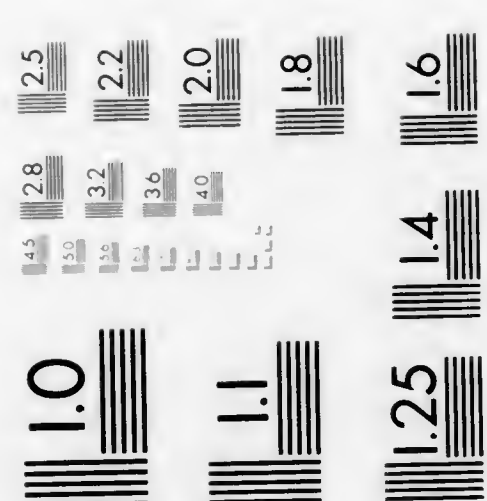
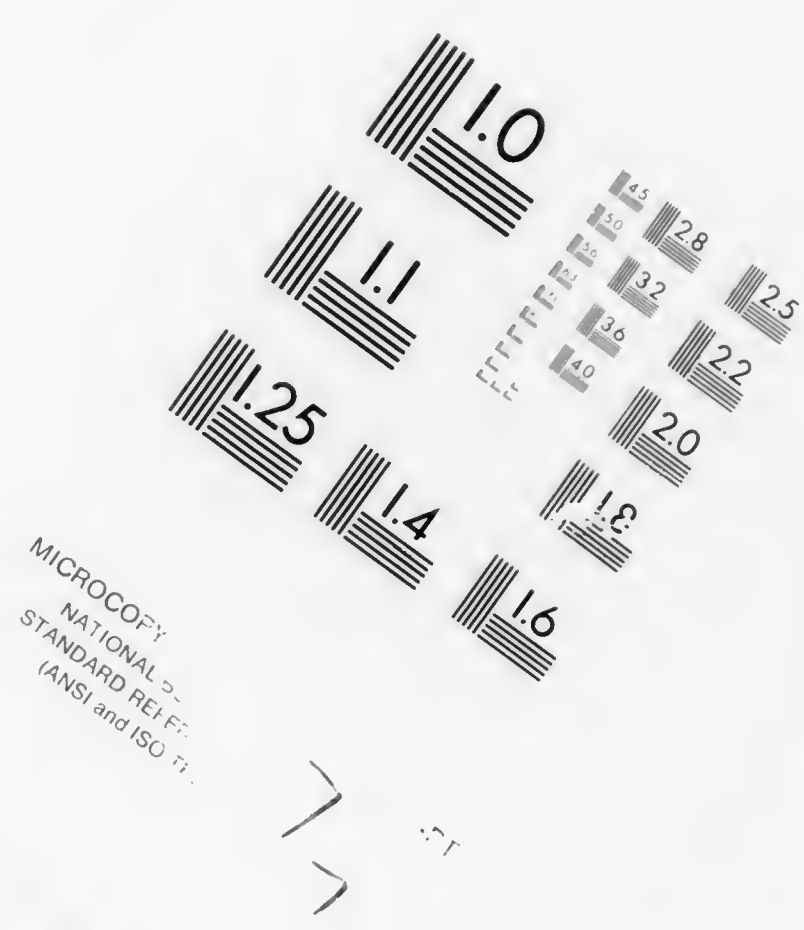
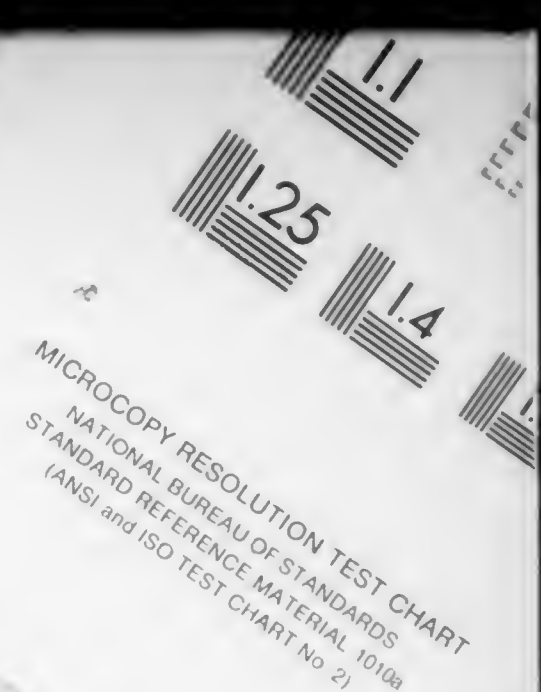
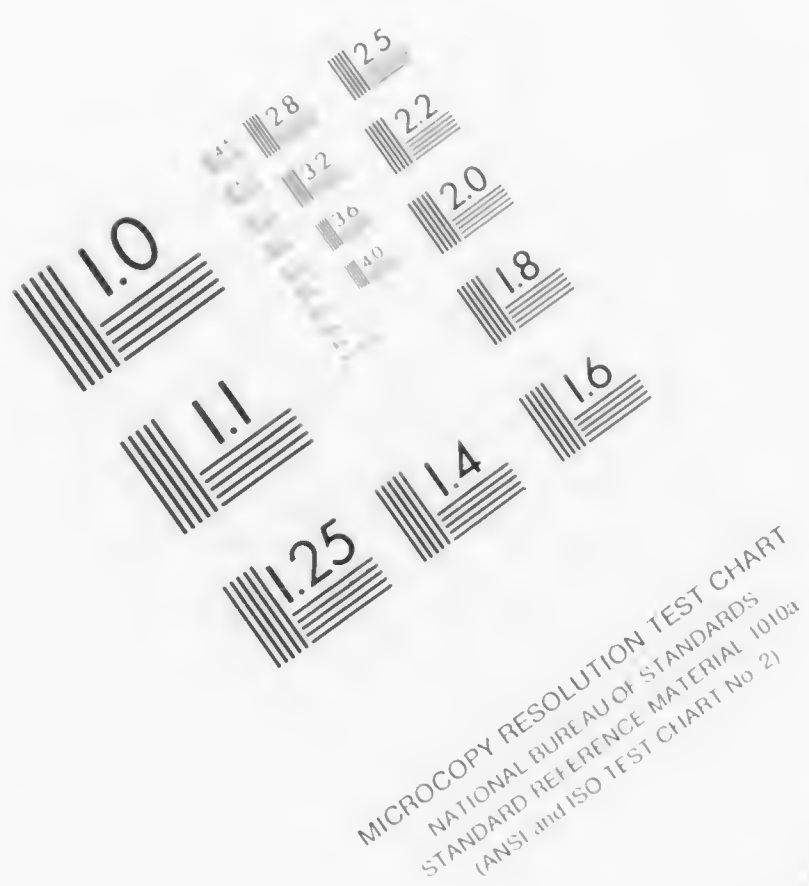
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DATE Jan 6, 1869

THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

TO ADVERTISERS.
This paper has a larger circulation than any other paper in Faribault County, and is the only paper in the county, which is printed entirely at home.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 13, 1890.

Minnesota Legislature.
The Eleventh annual session of the Minnesota Legislature convened at St. Paul last week Tuesday.

The first day was occupied in examining the credentials of, and swearing in new members, and in the election of officers. G. C. Chamberlain, of Jackson county, was elected Assistant Secretary in the Senate.

On the second day, the Secretary of the Senate was instructed to subscribe for each member and officer of the Senate, for five daily newspapers published in the State, or their equivalent in weeklies published in the State.

Mr. Wakefield gave notice that he would introduce a bill for an act to compel the county auditors of the counties of the State to strike from the general tax duplicate certain taxes.

On the third day the House passed a resolution identical with that passed by the Senate to supply its members and officers with State newspapers.

At noon the Governor was introduced, and immediately proceeded to read his inaugural, which was concluded at 1 o'clock.

The message very properly deals almost entirely with facts relating to the affairs of the State, and these facts show a very healthy state of the State.

The following is the Governor's synopsis of the statistics of the State:

Our population is 455,000. The "recognized" State debt is \$300,000; the Governor intimates that the railroad bonds of \$2,250,000 still remain unrecognized. The assessed value of property in the State is \$75,000,000. There is a balance in the treasury of nearly \$75,000. The school fund now amounts to over \$2,000,000, and will reach \$310,000. The University fund will amount to \$1,000,000. The wheat crop of 1889 amounted to 4,600,000 bushels; the oat crop to 6,000,000 bushels; the potato crop to 1,700,000 bushels. There are 559 miles of railroad in operation in the State, of which 128 miles were constructed in 1889; and as much more will be built in 1890. The product of lumber in 1889 was 250,000,000 feet of logs, 41,000,000 feet of sawed lumber, 6,500,000 laths, and 9,500,000 shingles.

Result of the Town Voting.

Winnebago voted aye to the Railroad \$25,000; Guthrie \$15,000, and Verona \$15,000. Lura will vote \$15,000 next Saturday. On Saturday last, Minnesota Lake, Walnut Lake, and Barber voted to reject the proposition.

The location of the depot in those towns had much to do with the rejection of the proposition. Walnut Lake would carry the company authorized to run two miles further south, and very likely Barber would do the same. But this would be an injustice to Minnesota Lake and Lura. Untruthful reports have had much to do with the result, whatever might have been the reasons for starting them.

The company have acted in good faith, and no one can show the least disposition on that score to take an advantage. Certainly the company cannot afford to make this leap over and have two short roads running with full sets of rolling stock and equipments without a remuneration to the people must be derived from largely in advance of the cost. But cries of Wisconsin swindlers, high taxes, connected with much selfishness in locating depots, may defeat the project.

It is thought that the company will take a more northern route and get all voted from towns who seem to be more interested.

The anxiety of those in this section may induce them to make higher bids in some form, to insure the company against loss, and we may still hear the whistle within 18 months.

The Board of Examiners for the selection of a candidate for the vacant citizenship at West Point, met at Watonagan on the 30th ult. Fifteen candidates were in attendance. The examination commenced at 10 o'clock, A. M., and lasted until 4 o'clock A. M. next day, the Board remaining in session all night. The honor was conferred on John A. Lundeen, of St. Peter. The Winona Republican says: Mr. Lundeen is a young man who is self-made, and has enjoyed no advantages beyond those afforded by common schools. He is a Swede, and has not yet fully mastered our language. He is in every respect worthy of the high distinction, and will reflect credit upon his district and State at our National Military School.

The report of the State Treasurer shows that for the fiscal year ending November 30th, 1889, the grand total of receipts was \$783,313.68.

Grand total of disbursements \$762,312.90.

Eleven thousand three hundred and fifty-one dollars were paid for wolf bounties.

The Legislative canvass of the vote on the three propositions to amend the Constitution of Minnesota, shows the following majorities:

In favor of Negro suffrage,	9,372
For Grand Jury,	15,781
Against restricting the action of the Legislature as to disposing of the lands and 3 percent fund,	8,931

The Legislature.

The new Legislature, which met at the State capital on Tuesday, the 5th inst., is composed as follows:

SENATE.

1—Geo. L. Becker,*
2—J. A. Gault,*
3—C. A. Gilman,*
4—Wm. Lockwood,*
5—C. H. Pettib,*
6—D. E. King,*
7—Noyes Smith,*
8—J. E. Betchelder,*
9—Warren Bristol,*
10—W. W. Prindle,*
11—S. B. Sheardson,*

HOUSE.

1—J. M. Gilman,*
2—J. A. Gault,*
3—C. A. Gilman,*
4—Wm. Lockwood,*
5—C. H. Pettib,*
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RECAPITULATION.

Senate.....16
House.....25
Total.....41

JOINT CONVENTION.

Republicans.....54
Democrats.....15
Total.....69

Republican majority on joint ballot.....29

Notes.—In the foregoing tables, the names of the members are printed in Roman; Democrats in italics; and Senators holding over are marked by an asterisk (*).

It will be remembered that former Harris, the Honorable Senator from Mower, the married gentleman who was born in New York—introduced and pressed to its passage in the last Legislature, a bill providing for the reduction of printer's fees to a standard much below that allowed by other States.

Now, this Harris is in St. Paul again, and we cannot repress a smile as we see by the report of the first day's session of the Senate, that he offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby authorized to furnish members and officers of the Senate such stationery as may be necessary for their use in the performance of their respective duties.

The honorable gentleman is bound to make a sure thing on free writing paper. The smile resolves itself into a hearty laugh, when our eye rests upon the following, in the report of the second day's proceedings:

Mr. Harris offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to ascertain and report the amount of mileage due each member of the Senate.

It will not be denied that the astute Senator has an eye to business, as he has evidently adopted for his motto, "Take care of the pennies and the dollars will take care of themselves," and "Do yourself what you would not have left undone."

CARLSTON, Freeborn Co. Minn.,

January 4th, 1890.

ED. FREE HOMESTEAD:—Please do the Homestead settlers of your subscribers, the favor to publish the subscription report and enclosed Notice of Meeting and oblige yours, &c.

L. G. PIERCE.

At a meeting of Homestead settlers held Monday, January 4, 1890, at the school house near the residence of D. P. Curtis, in Carlton, Freeborn County, C. R. Lord, Esq., was called to the chair, and L. G. Pierce was chosen Secretary. On motion, D. P. Curtis appointed a committee to draft resolutions, and report at this meeting. Committee reported the following Resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTIONS.

1st. That it is the sense of this meeting, that the taxes imposed on Homestead lands are illegal and unjust.

2d. That it is the duty of all Homestead settlers to oppose the enforcement of the collection of such taxes.

3d. That it is our duty as Homestead men, to act in concert in such opposition.

4th. That in order to secure such concert of action, it is desirable and necessary to organize ourselves into an Association or Society, for the purpose of testing the validity of the law imposing such taxes, by bringing it before a Court of competent jurisdiction.

5th. That a Committee of three be appointed to draft a Constitution and By-Laws for the government of such organization, and that they report at a meeting to be held at this place on Tuesday, the 19th inst., at 11 o'clock A. M.

6th. That a copy of the proceedings of this meeting be forwarded to the Editors of The Freeborn County Standard, The Free Homestead, and The South West, with a request that they publish them in their papers.

H. B. Collins, Esq., Charles Sweet, and C. R. Lord, Esq., were appointed

as the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

The minutes were then read and approved, and the meeting adjourned to Jan. 19th, 1890, at 11 o'clock, A. M., at this place.

C. R. LORD, Ch'n.

L. G. PIERCE, Sec'y.

N. B.—Persons from a distance, attending said meeting, will be accommodated over night, as far as possible, by the neighbors. It is anticipated that Judge Stacy, of Albert Lea, will be in attendance and address the meeting.

MOST LIBERAL PREMIUMS

To Canvassers for Subscribers

TO

THE METHODIST

FOR 1890.

The Publishers of The Methodist are determined to make it to the interest of all who will, to engage earnestly in the work of canvassing, by the offer of an extraordinary List of Premiums and Cash Commissions. We have set out with the purpose of adding Ten Thousand to our present subscription list, and as inducements to all who will engage earnestly in getting up clubs of subscribers, we propose the following:

1. Canvassers may earn their subscribers, and our half old subscribers renewed, to make up the number required. Any one subscribing for two years and paying \$5 in advance, will be counted as two subscribers. For every additional year paid in advance, at \$2.50 per year, each year will count as one subscriber on premium account. Those canvassing will find it to their interest to secure such subscriptions, as in this way every canvasser may obtain a premium by securing advance payments for as many years as he or she may feel short of the number of subscribers required to obtain the premium. This is a more liberal arrangement than we have ever made before.

2. From a large number of articles offered, we have chosen only those of the highest utility, and of the very best quality, and most desirable for members of families. We have taken pains to make selections from the best manufacturers, who will, in every instance, guarantee the quality of the goods furnished by them.

Send for List of Premiums, together with the terms on which they can be earned. Address The Methodist, 114 Nassau St., New York.

THE VALUE OF ADVERTISING.—Mr. S. H. Parvin, advertising Agent in this city, says the Cincinnati Commercial, who transacts business with a large number of newspapers throughout the country, gives the following curious statement as to his experience in these hard times:

"The necessity of a thorough and judicious system of advertising was never so forcibly impressed on my mind as it has been within the past few weeks, although I have studied advertising closely for eighteen years. With my customers, those who have advertised largely, and have not curtailed the amount of their advertising through the stringency of our money market, have, to my surprise, paid up in full promptly as accounts became due, but not so with those who have curtailed and advertised sparingly. They find it difficult to settle small accounts."

The British ship Southern Empire, Capt. Dunlap, foundered at sea in a heavy gale on the 31st inst. The Capt. and every one of the crew were lost. The Southern Empire sailed last from New Orleans, on the 15th of November for Liverpool, laden with cotton, at which latter port she was owned.

A Chicago dispatch of the 6th says: A man was under the island at Rock Island, Ill., the statue of an Indian maiden on a solid copper pedestal, a seven foot high obelisk of solid brass, and other Indian curiosities have been discovered.

There are sixty thousand people engaged in watch making in Switzerland. The turn-out over a million of watches each year.

Phillippe Bury is the literary critic of most of the Paris dailies, and ridicules his own critiques to conceal his identity.

America imported last year \$800,000 worth of English books, while John Bull bought only \$37,000 worth of us.

Three ladies were chosen deaconesses of Rev. H. W. Beecher's church at the late annual meeting.

Five rows of diamonds the Empress Eugenie now wears on her wrinkled neck.

Egypt has in operation five hundred and fifty-five miles of railway.

The Cleveland post-office is "manned" by female clerks.

Freedom Notice.

BE it remembered by all parties concerned, that from and after this date, I give to my son, WILLIAM C. WOODRUFF, his time to act for himself, and shall claim none of his earnings nor pay any of his debts by him contracted.

J. C. WOODRUFF.

Prescott, Minn., Jan. 9, 1890.

To Those Concerned!

NOTICE is hereby given that all accounts due the subscriber must be settled on or before the first day of February, 1890, or they will be left in the hands of E. H. HUCKLEBERRY, for immediate collection.

JOHN SIMAN.

Winnebago City, Minn., Jan. 6th, 1890.

\$10 to \$15 MADE DAILY.—No risk—no capital required. Circulars free. STAFFORD MANF'G CO., 66 Fulton Street, New York.

MONEY EASILY MADE.

With our Complete Steam and Key Check Outfit. Small capital required. Circulars free. STAFFORD MANF'G CO., 66 Fulton Street, New York.

To the Working Class.

I AM now prepared to furnish constant employment to all classes at their homes, for their spare moments. Business new, light and profitable. Fifty cents to \$5 per evening easily earned, and the boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. Great inducements are offered. All who see this notice please send me their address and test the business for themselves. I feel well satisfied, I will send \$1 to pay for the trouble of writing me. Full particulars sent free. Sample sent by mail for ten cents.

Address: E. C. ALLEN, Augusta, Maine.

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VICK'S

FLORAL GUIDE

FOR 1890.

The first edition of One Hundred Thousand of Vick's Illustrated Catalogue of Seeds and Guide in the Flower Garden is now published. It makes a work of 100 pages, beautifully illustrated, with about 150 line wood engravings of Flowers and Vegetables, and an

ELEGANT COLORED PLATE, A BOUQUET OF FLOWERS.

It is the most beautiful, as well as the most instructive Floral Guide published, giving plain and thorough directions for the

Culture of Flowers and Vegetables.

The Floral Guide is published for the benefit of all customers, to whom it is sent free without application, but will be forwarded to all who supply by mail, for Ten Cents, which is not half the cost.

Address: James Vick, Rochester, N. Y.

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One Dollar Set of Dry and Fancy

GOODS,

A WATCH, 60 yds. SHEETING, SEWING MACHINE, &c., &c.

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Smaller Clubs in the same ratio, viz:

60 Club, 40 yds. Sheeting, &c., &c.,

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The enlarged and improved Weekly will exceed in all the essentials of a First Class, Progressive, Timely and Useful Rural, Literary and Family Newspaper, manifesting the true spirit of its motto, "Education, and Objects," "Progress and Improvement," and making it

BEST WEEKLY IN AMERICA!

The names of distinguished writers on Rural and Literary topics, already engaged to contribute to the Rural New-Yorker for 1890, might be announced; but we depend upon the character of the paper to speak for itself, rather than upon the names of those who furnish it, for the approval of our readers.

With Offices in New York City and Rochester—the great Business and Commercial Metropolis, and the Heart of a famed Rural District—the Rural possesses unequalled facilities.

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41 Park Row, New York.

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M. PEIRCE.

Winnebago City, Minn., Jan. 2, 1890.

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AND

HOOFLAND'S GERMAN TONIC.

Prepared by Dr. C. M. JACKSON,

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The Great Remedies for all Diseases

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is a combination of all the ingredients of the Bitters,

with the purest quality of Soda Crystalline, and

is the most powerful and agreeable

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In cases of nervous depression, when some alcoholic

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The stomach, from a variety of causes, such as Indigestion, Nervous Debility, General Lymphatic, or Bilious, or from the use of

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THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 13, 1899.

GEO. P. ROWELL & CO.

ADVERTISING AGENTS,
No. 40 PARK ROW, NEW YORK.

Messrs. Geo. P. Rowell & Co. are the Agents for the Free Homestead, and the most influential and largest circulating Newspaper in the United States and Canada. They are authorized to contract for us at our lowest prices.

Divine Services.
Baptist.—Services in the Baptist church every alternate Sabbath morning at 10:30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at half past six o'clock.
Rev. E. A. STONE, Pastor.
Methodist.—Services every alternate Sabbath morning, in the Baptist church, at 10:30 o'clock.
Rev. A. C. HAND, Pastor.
Union.—Prayer Meeting, Wednesday evenings, in the Baptist church, at 7 o'clock.
Sabbath school every Sunday morning, immediately after preaching.

\$1200 And All Expenses Paid!—See Advertisement of American Shuttle Sewing Machine in our advertising columns. 17

No. 8 cook-stoves furnished complete for \$28.00 at the Hardware store in Winnebago City.

The weather is glorious.

The Geography belonging to the Mail- ing Department of the Erie (Pa.) Dispatch, must be somewhat antiquated, as the paper which comes to Winnebago, is addressed to Minnesota Territory.

Dentistry.

Dr. A. C. May (Dentist) will be at Winnebago City on or near the 13th of February, and will remain one week. Will be at Blue Earth City the previous week. 272nd

Spiritualism.

There will be a meeting of the Friends favorable to Human Progress, in Moulton's Hall, Sunday, Jan. 17th, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of organizing a Progressive Society. Mrs. F. A. Logan, Messrs. Birlsall and Anderson the principal speakers for the occasion. All are invited.

A lecture may be expected in the evening.

The American Eagle has made a visit to the town of Verona. He sat in a tree by the roadside near the residence of Mr. H. T. Stoddard, last Thursday afternoon. He would measure about four feet from tip to tip, and was bald headed. Morse, the lightning rod man, looked at him, but the eagle paid no attention to him. Was this want of courtesy on the part of his lordship, owing to the fact that he recognized in Morse a true democrat?

ACTION FOR LIBEL.—Col. Lounsbury of the *Martin County Atlas* has commenced an action for libel against the publisher of the *Blue Earth City South West*, laying his damages at \$10,000, for the publication of the following paragraph in the *South West* of the 24 inst:

"We have heretofore published Lounsbury as a SCYTHIAN, THREE ROBBER, CYR-THIAN, and LIAR. His services in the army are no proof that he is not a miserable coward. He was four times taken prisoner by the rebels, and most of his wounds were in the back. Most of his time was spent as a prisoner and in the hospital. It is a good thing that Uncle Sam hadn't many such soldiers."

Dr. G. Holmes Cray, Surgeon Dentist, from St. Paul, Minn., will be at the Collins House in Winnebago City, from Jan. 27th to Feb. 7th.

Dr. Cray is a regular graduate of the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, and has had years of practice in New York, before coming to St. Paul, and promises superiority of workmanship in all the various branches of Dental Surgery, no matter how difficult and complicated the case.

Old gold or silver plates taken in exchange for Dental services.

Teeth extracted without pain, and particular attention paid in correcting irregularities of children's teeth.

All work made satisfactory, or no payment required.

The Dr. will make regular visits to this place two or three times a year.

Give him a call and examine his work and prices for yourselves.

Democratic Mass Meeting.

A mass meeting of the Democratic citizens of the 20th District, met pursuant to public notice, at Winnebago City, and organized. D. H. Morse was called to the chair, and H. Moorman was appointed secretary. The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

WHEREAS the Democracy of the 20th Legislative District of the State of Minnesota has become satisfied that the Chairman of the Democratic Central Committee, has become recreant to the high trust that was reposed in him by the Democracy of said District, by declaring in public and in private, that he had heretofore made the interests of the Democratic party, so far as he was concerned, subservient to the interests of Blue Earth City, on the railroad point question, and should continue to do so, so long as the local question continued, thereby weakening and disorganizing the Democratic party of the said district, thereby withholding his influence to carry the Democratic vote of the said district for two successive years for the Republican candidates, therefore

Resolved, That the said Geo. B. Kingsley is censured of bad faith to the Democratic party.

D. H. MORSE, Ch'n.

H. MOORMAN, Sec'y.

Winnebago City, Jan. 6, 1899.

Meeting of the Agricultural Society.

At the Annual Meeting of the Fairbault County Agricultural Society, held at Blue Earth City, Minn., Thursday, January 3th, 1899. President, L. W. Brown, in the chair, and Geo. B. Kingsley, Secretary, *pro tem*.

The business of the meeting having been stated, on motion the Society proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, with the following result:

FOR PRESIDENT
L. W. BROWN, Prescott.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS.

W. J. Robertson,	Walnut Lake.
G. B. Kingsley,	Blue Earth City.
J. A. Dean,	Jo Davies.
Herman Hart,	Verona.
Loyal Dudley,	Winnebago City.
Joseph Hazleton,	Lura.
A. B. More,	Pilot Grove.
Allen Shultz,	Elmore.
Myron Smith,	Minnesota Lake.
Thomas Blair,	Guthrie.
E. R. Young,	Brush Creek.
A. Ackman,	Foster.
David Pratt,	Seeley.
H. Sellin,	Emerald.
David Coyle,	Rome.
Phillip Young,	Prescott.
C. R. Lord,	Cobb.
Aaron Wanser,	Barber.
L. C. Taylor,	Dunbar.

FOR SECRETARY,

GEORGE W. BUSWELL, B. E. City.

FOR TREASURER,

ALEX. LATIMER, Winnebago City.

On motion J. A. Latimer and W. J. Robertson were duly elected delegates, with full power of substitution, to attend the meeting of the State Agricultural Society, to be held at St. Paul, in February next. On motion the several Vice-Presidents of the Society were requested to urge upon the citizens of their respective towns the necessity of their presence at the Annual Fair, and their encouragement and assistance in advancing the interests of the Society in the country.

On motion the Secretary was requested to furnish the *Homestead* and *South West* with a copy of the minutes of the meeting for publication.

On motion the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

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The Thermometer.
Thermometer is a Greek word and means heat-measure. Perhaps all the young folks do not know the meaning of zero, that frosty word which we hear spoken so often. Let us try to explain it to them.
Mr. Fahrenheit, who invented the kind of thermometer which is used in this country and in England, lived in a warmer climate than ours. He never breathed the keen air of a zero-cold morning. But he knew what the boys and girls who make ice cream know so well—that a mixture of snow and salt, in such cold or than ice or snow alone. Indeed, he thought that this mixture was so cold that there could not possibly be any heat in it at all. So he concluded that the temperature of this mixture would be a good starting point from which to mark off the scale of his thermometer. Putting the bulb into the snow and salt, he marked the point to which the mercury fills the tube full, 0 (cipher) zero, nothing; because, as before said, he thought the amount of heat was nothing. But had he lived in our cold New England, instead of Germany, he would have found, perhaps to his sorrow, that our wintry air is often colder than his ice and salt. Then, even if the air is colder than this mixture, it follows that there must be some heat in the ice and salt to make it warmer than the air. So Mr. Fahrenheit was mistaken about his zero's expression, as he intended it should, be no heat. Indeed, chemists tell us that, by an experiment they know how to perform, they can produce a degree of cold compared with which Fahrenheit's zero is quite hot.

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A negro, at the point of death, was told by his minister that he must forgive a certain darkie against whom he seemed to entertain very bitter feelings. "Yes, sah," he replied. "If I dies, I forgit dat nigger; but if I gits well dat nigger must take care."

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A writer in Chamber's Journal gives the following pithy counsel: "Woman, woman, take my advice and learn to cook."

If you wish to have care, perplexity, and misery, be selfish in all things; this is the short road to trouble.

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William R. Edwards
vs
Hiram L. Young and Stephen Sharlock.

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A WINTER SERMON.

Thou dwellest in a warm and cheerful home; Thy roof in vain the winter tempest lashes; While householders writhes round thy mansion room.

On whose sheltered heads the torrent splashes; Thy board is laden with the richest meats, O'er which thine eyes in sated languor wander.

Many might live on what thy manful cat, Or feast on fragments which thy servants squander.

Thy limbs are muffled from the piercing blast, When from thy fire-side comes the best of all; Many have scarce a rag about them cast, With which the frost-bitten toes they dally.

Thou hast soft smiles to greet the kiss of love, When thy light step resounds within the portal; Some have no friends save Him who dwells above, No sweet communion with a fellow mortal.

Thou deepest slumber on thy costly bed, Lulled by the power of luxuries annal; Some pillow on a stave some aching head, Never again to wake when they have slumbered.

Then think of those who, formed of kindred clay, Depend upon the dross thy bounty scatters; And God will hear them, for thy welfare pray— They are His children, though in rage and slanders.

—Household Words.

MY OLD WOMAN AND I.

We have crossed the bridge o'er the middle of My old woman and I, (wife) Taking our share in the cake and the strife; With the travelers passing by, (life) And though on our pathway the shadows are there, There's a light in the western sky.

Some losses and crosses, of course, we've had, My old woman and I; But, bless you! we never found time to be sad, And a very good reason why, We were busy as bees, and we weren't so sad As to stop in our work to cry.

On our changeable road as we journeyed along, My old woman and I, The kindly companions we met in the throng, Made our lives like a vision fly; And therefore the few that lingered or wrong, Scarcely cost us a single sigh.

The weak and the weary we've striven to cheer, My old woman and I; (here) For we each of us thought that our duty while We to do as we'll be done by.

In the hope to exhibit a balance clear, When the reckoning day is nigh, —John M. H. in Harper's Magazine.

Eternity.

The first man who entered into an unhappy eternity is as far from reaching its end as he who is only now entering; the first man who plunged into the boundless ocean of misery is as far from reaching its opposite shore as he was the first day he launched forth.

Eternity is a beginning without a middle or an end, a winter without a spring, a night which is never followed by the morning light. After millions of years have passed in eternity, it will still be only the beginning of eternity.

The wrath of God in hell will always be a "wrath to come." Mark the regular succession of our days, months, and years; eternity is a similar succession without an end.

Look out on a clear night at the stars scattered over the heavens; contemplate their innumerable hosts, the number of those stars are limited, but the ages of eternity know no limit. Lift up your eyes to the high mountain, such as Mount Blanc, and think how many centuries it would require for that mountain to be completely removed by a sparrow which could carry over every thousand years and carry off one atom in its beak; the time would come when the mountain would no longer exist, but eternity would then be only beginning.

The heart is perhaps never so sensible to happiness as after a short separation from the object of its affection. If that separation has been attended with peculiar circumstances of distress or danger, every misery that has been experienced, tends by the force of contrast to increase the emotion of delight, and gives to the pleasure of re-union an inexpressible degree of tenderness.

The love of beauty sustains very intimate relations to purity of thought and love of truth; a fine picture has a mission nobler than the gratification of the eye; and the appeal of poetry, if not heard beyond "the daughters of music," is but the jangling of sweet bells out of tune.

If parents differ in their ideas of education, let them take a proper opportunity of discussing the matter in freedom and kindness; but do not let them weaken the respect of their children, by expressing doubts of each other's good judgment in their presence.

The hearty grasp speaks confidence and good-will. When a man gives me his hand loosely, and it hangs in mine like a mere rag, I am apt to think he is either unfriendly or incapable of friendship—cold-hearted, calculating, and unfeeling.

Humility is a virtue all preach, none practice, and yet every body is content to hear. The master thinks it a good doctrine for his servant, the laity for the clergy, and the clergy for the laity.—John Selden.

Love one human being purely and warmly, and you will love all. The heart, in this Heaven, like the wandering sun, sees nothing, from the dew-drop to the ocean, but a mirror which it warms and fills.

Runaway Horses.

It is as natural for some horses to run away as it is for a Kentucky girl, when she wants to get married, and it isn't always the result of native viciousness in the one case, any more than it is in the other. Fact is, horses like to run—they were built for it—and when there is nothing particular to scare them into it, they will often get up a scare on their own hook, just for the fun of the thing.

Some run away on a run, some on a gallop, and some on a trot. When they run on a walk, it is generally on a "side-walk." Some run away under the saddle, some in harness, and many run away to nothing but a mere shadow.

Some will only run for money; others will only run for home. Running away is a habit usually acquired when the horse is young, although we have known horses whose early days were free from such viciousness take it up in their old age, when they are very liable to "run it in the ground."

A runaway is very exciting, particularly to the individual who is being run away with. There is an exhilarating sense of being jerked about without touching anything in particular; a sense of seeing men scatter before you, get out of the way; a sense of hearing them yell "whoa!" behind you as you dash on; a sense of stopping suddenly—and then you haven't got any more sense.

The expedients that have been resorted to for breaking a horse of this habit are numerous. Whipping has been tried with only partial success. He has been lashed by the side of another horse, and run away with the other horse. Anchors have been rigged to the wagon to be cast out when the horse started to run, stopping almost everything except the horse.

A man whom we once knew, claimed that kindness was all that was required to cure any horse of running, no matter how long it had run. "Only prove to your horse that you have confidence in him," said he, "and the native generosity of his disposition will overcome all desire to run away."

Some of his neighbors being incredulous about it, brought him a horse that would run away three hundred and sixty-five times and six hours in one year, if he had an opportunity. They wanted him to try his system on him, which he accordingly did. He hitched him to a buggy, conversing pleasantly upon every day topics meanwhile, and then to show the quaked confidence he had in him, got in to drive without any reins.

"Here gentlemen," said he, "I am about to give you an illustration of the effects which kindness and a display of confidence will have upon the horse. Once convince him that you are his friend, and that you confide in him, and he will respond with the gratitude of a child. You will perceive that at a word from me he will do as I require."

Then, in mild, soothing tones, that fairly overflowed with kindness to animals, he begged the privilege of seeing him move. And he did. The horse gave a bound, struck into a run, and was out of sight in a minute. Nothing has been seen of the horse or his trainer since.

We never knew a horse yet that had the habit of running away securely fastened upon him—and once will fasten it securely enough—to be ever satisfactorily cured except by death. Men who have doubted this, and given the horse a second trial, have had the trial go against them with costs.—Put Contributor.

A Deaf Operator.

S. J. Hoffman, a telegraph operator in St. Louis, is a curiosity. He lost his hearing some years ago, and then learned telegraphy, in which he has become a remarkable expert. His method of receiving a report is exceedingly interesting. Good operators receive by ear, the clinkings of the instrument, being to them like audible reading, each letter and word being ticked off as distinctly as though spelled out by the human voice. Not hearing a single sound, he places his hand upon the working instrument, or placing his knee against the operating table and by his peculiar and sensitive nerves feels every vibration so distinctly that he is able to surpass ordinary receivers in the accuracy of his reports.

He hears nothing about him, is never disturbed and consequently works in a silent world of his own. In this condition his memory has become wonderfully retentive, and as a consequence his manuscript is exceedingly correct, while his chirography is excellent. Mr. Hoffman can speak and answer questions put to him audibly.

The mode of communication the telegraph boys have with him is to tick off, as on an instrument, upon his hand or the back of his neck, such things as they desire to say to him. This is by no means tedious, as the process is quite as rapid as an ordinary drum beat.

Napoleon said, "You must not fight too often with one enemy, or you will teach him all your art of war." Talk much with any man of vigorous mind, and we acquire very fast the habit of looking at things in the same light, and on each occurrence, we anticipate his thought.

Politeness is like an air cushion. There may be nothing in it; but it eases our jolts wonderfully.

The Editor's Raven.

In December, dark and dreary, sat the writer weak and weary, pondering o'er his memoranda book of scrawling hand notes rather, items taken days together, then the hot and sultry weather, using up much time and leather—pondering we these items o'er. While we pondered slowly rocking (through our mind queer ideas flocking), came a quick and nervous knocking—knocking at the sanctum door.

Sure that must be "Jenks," we muttered—"Jenks that's knocking at our door; Jenks the everlasting bore."

Ah, how well do we remind us, in the walls that there confined us, "exchanges" lay behind us all scattered o'er the floor. Thought we, Jenks wants to borrow some newspapers till to-morrow, and 'twill be relief from sorrow to get rid of Jenks, the bore, by opening wide the door. Still the visitor kept knocking—knocking louder than before.

And the scattered pile of papers cut some very curious capers, being lifted by the breezes coming through another door; and we wished (the wish was evil, for one deemed always evil) that Jenks was the devil, to stay there evermore—Jenks, the never tiring bore.

Backing up our patience firmer, then, without another murmur, "Mr. Jenks," said we, "your pardon, your forgiveness, we implore. But the fact is, we were reading of some curious proceedings, and, thus, it was unheeded, your loud knocking there before."

We were opened wide the door. But fancy now our feelings—for it wasn't Jenks the bore—Jenks the nameless evermore.

But the form that stood before us caused a trembling to come o'er us, and memory bore us back again to days of yore; days when "Jenks" was in plenty, and where o'er this writer went he picked up items by the score. 'Twas the dark form of our "devil" thrust in attitude unevil, and he thrust his head within the door with, "the form" of our copy, sir, and says he wants some more."

Yes, like Alexander, wanted more! Now, this "devil" had already walked about till nearly dead—he had wandered through the city till his feet were very sore—walked through the streets so dusty, and by-ways running off into all portions of the city, both public and obscure—had examined every store, and questioned every "feller" whom he met from door to door, if anything was stirring—any accident occurring—not published heretofore, and had met with no success; he would rather kindly guess he felt a little wicked at that very little bore, with his message from the foreman, that he wanted something more.

"Now, 'tis time you were departing, you young imp," cried we, upstarting, got you back into the office—where you were before; or the words you have spoken will get your bones all broken, (and we seized a cudgel, then, that was lying on the floor); take your hands out of your pockets, and leave the sanctum door; tell the foreman there's no copy, you really little bore."

And our devil, never sitting, still is flitting, still is flitting, back and forth upon the landing, just outside our sanctum door; tears down his face are streaming, strange light from his eye is beaming, and his voice is heard still screaming, "Sir, the foreman wants some more."

—Washington Paper.

Our Drinks, and the Process of Getting Drunk.

"At the beginning of a carouse of a drunkard, alcohol stimulates the action of the heart, which now sends blood rapidly to the lungs for aeration. A large supply of blood disks consequently reach the brain, which is stimulated into activity. The ideas of the drinker now flow rapidly—at first coherently, but without control; the brain matter wastes too rapidly, and delirium ensues. During this time the volatile alcohol is diffusing itself through the system, converting arterial into venous blood, and loading that fluid with a spirit which has a tendency to prevent change in the tissues, so that the drunkard becomes stupid, falls off his chair in the stupor of sleep, if too far gone, dies of venous apoplexy.

Green tea—yellow skins, "all gone" stomachs, shaky nerves, irritable temper. All women fifty years old who have habitually drunk strong tea show the same skin, teeth, and nerves.

Black tea is better, but chargeable with the same effects in a milder form. Coffee produces congestion of the brain, palpitation, and indigestion; but in the long run is less mischievous than either green or black tea.

Chocolate is better, but tends to sluggishness of the stomach and liver. Milk is still better, but must be used in moderation, or general dullness, with liver torpidity, will ensue. Milk-drinking with our food is a mischievous practice. Blisters and constipation are common results.

Cold Water is an excellent drink. I recommend it for all persons of both sexes, of all ages, for the sick and well, for the weak and strong.—Exchange.

Worsted was first spun at a village of that name near Norwich, England, can be made from Cambray, danisks from Damascus, dimity from Damietta, cordovan from Cordova, calico from Calicut, and muslin from Moussul.

About Humor.

Humor will often dispose best of enthusiastic or frantic fancies. In Dean Swift's time, a tailor near him took it into his head that he was divinely called to interpret the prophecies, especially Revelation.

One night he received the commission to declare the word of the Lord to the Dean, and bright and early the next morning he was on his way to do it. Through his glass door the Dean saw him coming, and surmised his errand. Putting on a grave, studious air, and opening his Bible to Rex. x., with a fixed attention he awaited the prophet's approach. The door opened, and in an unearthly voice it was announced—"Dean Swift, I am sent by the Almighty to—" "Come in, come in, my friend," said the Dean, "I am in great trouble, and no doubt the Lord has sent you to help me out of my difficulties." The prophet was cheered by the welcome. He was all ears in more senses than one. "My friend," said the Dean, "I have just been reading Rev. x., and am greatly distressed with a difficulty, and you are the very man to help me out. Here is an account of an angel that came down from heaven, and was so large that he placed one foot on the land and the other upon the sea, and lifted up his hands to heaven. Now my knowledge of mathematics has enabled me to calculate exactly the form and size of this angel; but I am in great difficulty, for I wish to ascertain how much cloth it will take to make him a pair of breeches, and as that is in your line of business, I have no doubt the Lord has sent you to show me."

The poor tailor was confounded. He felt as if struck by an electric shock. He rushed back to his shop; a revelation of feeling came over him, and he was fully satisfied that his calling did not lie in the line of prophetic interpretation.

John Bunyan was not without an element of humor, if one is to believe the story of the Quaker who found him in Bedford jail, and told him that the Lord had a message for him, which he was commissioned to deliver, and on account of which he had sought him out in all the jails of the kingdom. "If the Lord had given you a message for me," said Bunyan, "he would have known where to send you, for he knows that I have been lying these twelve years in Bedford jail."

But humor is an edged tool that must be played with carefully. It may cut the fingers that are heedless in handling it. Rev. Axel Roe was taken prisoner by the British in the Revolutionary War, and was conducted by his captors to New York. They treated him with much respect, and as they were crossing an unbridged stream, the British officer offered to carry him over on his back. He did so; but midway in the stream, the clergyman, amused at the plight in which both were, inadvertently let his humor out. "Well," said he, "it must be confessed that if you were never priest-ridden before, you are now." The officer was so convulsed with laughter that he nearly performed the office of a Baptist preacher for his Protestant brother.

The joke practical does not always end as harmlessly as in the case of Nathaniel Appleton, who found, on riding up to the house of his beloved, that his rival's horse was hitched at the gate. Unhitching him, and giving him a smart stroke with his raw hide, he walked in and inquired whose horse that could be cantering down the street. It need not be said that he found the coast clear at once, and took good pains to keep it so.

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Monarchy.—The first five points of monarchy are a hereditary monarch, a nobility, a standing army, an established church and a strong police.

"Something Different"—A Lager Beer Story.

"I pese clad to see you, like ash neyer vash, Mister Cris; when did Zinzinaty goeme away from you?"

Such was the warm salutation of a Teutonic friend whom we met the other day in a distant city, where he had recently gone to reside. The reader might not guess in a long time what business our friend from Cincinnati was engaged in, so we will tell you; he kept a lager beer saloon.

"How do you like your new location?" we inquired after his remarks at meeting a Cincinnati had somewhat abated.

"Nice poyrs in this town; nice poyrs. The first night vot I opens mine saloon, they gnomes in and galls for lager beer, doo, eight, reux, half a tozzon of 'em; unt ven I says, 'Who makes pay for this toozoon already?' by tam they say put it on the schlate. I dole tem, 'I don't geep no schlate.' Den dey says, 'you poyer as send unt by a schlate.' Vell, I wants to agnomolote—there's no principal in dose tings—so I poyght a schlate. The peer gept calling for more poyrs, unt I gept putting the schlate onto dem. Pooty kvick already I dells tem the schlate it pese full on potb side, unt den dey dells me if the schlate pese full I geptter ash fill my tam Tsch head mit 'em! Vell, dat ish all right—there's no principal in dose tings—dey are nish poyrs."

"Pooty him by after ledde, they makes smash mit mine par, preaks mine pottles, unt knocks hail tannation out of mine looking glass mit mine head. Mine Gott! I vash mad. I radder you live me ten dollars so much ash I vash mad. But dat pese all right—there's no principal in dose—that makes nish difference. Nice poyrs!"

"Then they calls me a tam Tsch son 'f kun, unt I dells 'em they poyter as go to the tiffel, their own tam American soanagun. Vosh I right? Vell, that makes nothings different."

"They knocks the staircase town mine frow, unt throws the window out of the pappy. That's all right—makes nothings difference—there's no principal in that—nice poyrs—but (growing very much excited, and emphasizing each word on the bar with his fist) they puts water in mine class of beer—there's some principal in dose tings—that makes somethings different!"

In a western village a charming, well preserved widow had been courted and won by a physician. She had children; among them a crippled boy, who had been petted, and, if not spoiled, certainly allowed a very great "freedom in debate." The wedding day was approaching, and it was time the children should know they were going to have a new father. Calling her crippled boy, she said:

"George, I am going to do something before long that I would like to talk about with you."

"Well ma, what is it?"

"I am intending to marry Dr. Jones in a few days, and—"

"Bully for you ma, does Dr. Jones know it?"

"Ma caught her breath, but failed to articulate a response."

A horse-jockey out West, has reduced this system of life-rules to its most practical expression in his own case. He has only four, but these include, in his opinion, the whole problem of existence. The first is, "Never lend a dollar unless you receive two as collateral security." The second is, "Never refuse to drink with a man, because it does not cost you anything." The third is, "Never ask a man to drink, because it does cost you something." And the last, which contains the germ of the code, is, "Never mind what happens so long as it does not happen to yourself."

This is certainly simple, and, from a horse-jockey point of view, complete.

Ole Bull was once seeing the sights at Dennybrook Fair, when he was attracted by the sound of a very large violin in a tent. He entered and said to the player: "My good friend, do you play by note?"

"The devil a note, sir."

"Do you play by ear, then?"

"Never an ear, your honor."

"How do you play, then?"

"By main strength, he jabez."

"My dear," said a husband to his wife one day, while in a car, "are you comfortable in the corner there?"

"Oh, yes, snug."

"Don't you feel cold?"

"Not in the least."

"Does your window shut close?"

"Yes, very, thank you."

"Well, come, let's swap seats."

A jolly darkey down south bought himself a new shiny hat, and when it commenced raining he put it under his coat. When asked why he didn't keep his hat on his head he replied: "Do hat's mine; bought him wid my own money; head belongs to mass, let him take keer he own property."

A Nobleman asked a clergyman once, at his table, "Why the goose, if there was one, was always placed next the parson?" "Really," said he, "I can give no reason for it; but your question is so odd that I shall never see a goose, for the future, without thinking of your lordship."

"Whenever I marry," says marceline Ann, "I must really insist upon marrying a man." But what if the men (for the men are but men) should be equally nice about wedding a woman!

"Oh! Miss," said a love-sick swain, "if I were but you star, how brightly I would shine for you!" "What a pity," said she, musingly, "that you can't shine here!" He went out directly.

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A WINTER SERMON.

Thou dwellest in a warm and cheerful home; Thy roof in vain the winter tempest lashes; While houseless wretches round thy mansion roam.

On whose sheltered heads the torrent plashes, Thy board is loaded with the richest meats, O'er which thine eyes in sated languor wander;

Many might live on what thy mastiff eats, Or feast on fragments which thy servants squander. Thy limbs are muffled from the piercing blast,

When from thy fire-side comes the frosty gale; Many have scarce a rag about them cast, With which the frost-bitten toes they dally.

Thou hast soft smiles to greet the kiss of love, When thy light step resounds within the portal; So few have no friends save Min who dwells alone,

No sweet communion with a fellow-mortal. Lulled by the power of luxury's anodyne, Some pillow on a steatite couch they slumber;

Then think of those who, formed of kindred clay, Depend upon the doles thy bounty scatters, And thou wilt weep them, for thy welfare pray— They are thy children, though in rags and tatters.

—Household Words.

MY OLD WOMAN AND I.

We have crossed the bridge over the middle of My old woman and I, (wife), Taking our share in the calm and the strife;

With the traveler passing by, (wife), And though on our pathway the shadows are there, There's a light in the western sky.

Some losses and crosses, of course, we've had, My old woman and I; But, bless you! we never found time to be sad,

And therefore the few that laughed us wrong, We were busy as bees, and we weren't so sad As to stop in our work to cry.

On our changeable road as we journeyed along, My old woman and I, The kindly companions we met in the throng, Made our lives like a vision fly;

And therefore the few that laughed us wrong, Scarcely cost us a single sigh. The weak and the weary we've striven to cheer,

My old woman and I; (here) For we each of us thought that our duty while in the hope to exhibit a balance clear.

When the reckoning day is nigh, —John M. W. in Harper's Magazine.

Eternity.

The first man who entered into an unhappy eternity is as far from reaching its end as he who is only now entering; the first man who plunged into the boundless ocean of misery is as far from reaching its opposite shore as he was the first day he launched forth.

Eternity is a beginning without a middle or an end, a winter without a spring, a night which is never followed by the morning light. After millions of years have passed in eternity, it will still be only the beginning of eternity.

The wrath of God in hell will always be a "wrath to come." Mark the regular succession of our days, months, and years; eternity is a similar succession without an end.

Look out on a clear night at the stars scattered over the heavens; contemplate their innumerable hosts, the number of those stars are limited, but the ages of eternity know no limit. Lift up your eyes to the high mountain, such as Mount Blanc, and think how many centuries it would require for that mountain to be completely removed by a sparrow which should come every thousand years and carry off one atom in its beak; the time would come when the mountain would no longer exist, but eternity would then be only beginning.

The heart is perhaps never so sensible to happiness as after a short separation from the object of its affection. If that separation has been attended with peculiar circumstances of distress or danger, every misfortune has been experienced, thanks by the force of contrast to increase the emotion of delight, and gives to the pleasure of re-union an inexpressible degree of tenderness.

The love of beauty sustains very intimate relations to purity of thought and love of truth; a fine picture has a mission nobler than the gratification of the eye; and the appeal of poetry, if it heard beyond "the daughters of music," is but the jangling of sweet bells out of tune.

If parents differ in their ideas of education, let them take a proper opportunity of discussing the matter in freedom and kindness; but do not let them weaken the respect of their children, by expressing doubts of each other's good judgment in their presence.

The hearty grasp speaks confidence and good-will. When a man gives me his hand loosely, and it hangs in mine like a mere rag, I am apt to think he is either unfriendly or incapable of friendship—cold-hearted, calculating, and unfeeling.

Humility is a virtue all preach, none practice, and yet every body is content to hear. The master thinks it a good doctrine for his servant, the laity for the clergy, and the clergy for the laity.—John Selden.

Love one human being purely and warmly, and you will love all. The heart, in this Heaven, like the wandering sun, sees nothing from the dew-drop to the ocean, but a mirror which it warms and fills.

Runaway Horses.

It is as natural for some horses to run away as it is for a Kentucky girl, when she wants to get married, and it isn't always the result of native viciousness in the one case, any more than it is in the other. Fact is, horses like to run—they were built for it—and when there is nothing particular to scare them into it, they will often get up a scare on their own hook, just for the fun of the thing.

Some run away on a run, some on a gallop, and some on a trot. When they run on a walk, it is generally on a "side-saddle." Some run away under the saddle, some in harness, and many run away to nothing but a mere shadow.

Some will only run for money; others will only run for home. Running away is a habit usually acquired when the horse is young, although we have known horses whose early days were free from such viciousness take it up in their old age, when they are very liable to "run it in the ground."

A runaway is very exciting, particularly to the individual who is being run away with. There is an exhilarating sense of being jerked about without touching anything in particular; a sense of seeing men scatter before you, to get out of the way; a sense of hearing them yell "whoa!" behind you as you dash on; a sense of stopping suddenly—and then you haven't got any more sense.

The expedients that have been resorted to for breaking a horse of this habit are numerous. Whipping has been tried with only partial success. He has been lashed by the side of another horse, and run away with the other horse. Anchors have been rigged to the wagon to be cast out when the horse started to run, stopping almost everything except the horse.

A man whom we once knew, claimed that kindness was all that was required to cure any horse of running, no matter how long it had run. "Only prove to your horse that you have confidence in him," said he, "and the native generosity of his disposition will overcome all desire to run away."

Some of his neighbors being incredulous about it, brought him a horse that would run away three hundred and sixty-five times and six hours in one year, if he had an opportunity. They wanted him to try his system on him, which he accordingly did. He hitched him to a buggy, conversing pleasantly upon every day topics meanwhile, and then to show the quadded what confidence he had in him, got in to drive without any reins.

"Horse gentlemen," said he, "I am about to give you an illustration of the effects which kindness and a display of confidence will have upon the horse. Once convince him that you are his friend, and that you confide in him, and he will respond with the gratitude of a child. You will perceive that at a word from me he will do as I require."

Then, in mild, soothing tones, that fairly overflowed with kindness to animals, he begged the privilege of seeing him move. And he did. The horse gave a bound, struck into a run, and was out of sight in a minute. Nothing has been seen of the horse or his trainer since.

We never knew a horse yet that had the habit of running away securely fastened upon him—and once will fasten it securely enough—to be ever satisfactorily cured except by death. Men who have doubted this, and given the horse a second trial, have had the trial go against them, with costs.—Fat Contributor.

A Deaf Operator.

S. J. Hoffman, a telegraph operator in St. Louis, is a curiosity. He lost his hearing some years ago, and then learned telegraphy, in which he has become a remarkable adept. His method of receiving a report is exceedingly interesting.

Good operators receive by ear, the clicking of the instrument, being to them like audible readings, each letter and word being ticked off as distinctly as though spelled out by the human voice. Not hearing a single sound, he places his hand upon the working instrument, or placing his knee against the operating table and by his peculiar and sensitive nerves feels every vibration so distinctly that he is able to surpass ordinary receivers in the accuracy of his reports.

He hears nothing about him, is never disturbed, and consequently works in a silent world of his own. In this condition his memory has become wonderfully retentive, and as a consequence, while his telegraphy is excellent, his handwriting is poor.

The mode of communication the telegraph boys have with him is to tick off, as on an instrument, upon his hand or the back of his neck, such things as they desire to say to him. This is by no means tedious, as the process is quite as rapid as an ordinary drum beat.

Napoleon said, "You must not fight too often with one enemy, or you will teach him all your art of war." Talk much with any man of vigorous mind, and we acquire very fast the habit of looking at things in the same light, and, on each occurrence, we anticipate his thought.

Politeness is like an air cushion. There may be nothing in it; but it cases our jolts wonderfully.

The Editor's Raven.

In December, dark and dreary, sat the writer weak and weary, pondering o'er his memoranda book of scrawling hand notes rather, items taken days together, then the hot and sultry weather, using up much time and leather—pondering these items o'er. While we pondered slowly rocking (through our mind queer ideas flocking), came a quick and nervous knocking—knocking at the sanctum door.

Sure that must be "Jenks," we uttered; "Jenks that's knocking at our door; Jenks the everlasting bore." Ah, how well do we remind us, in the walls that there confined us, "exchanges" lay behind us all scattered o'er the floor.

Thought we, Jenks wants to borrow some newspapers till to-morrow, and 'twill be relief from sorrow to get rid of Jenks, the bore, by opening wide the door. Still the visitor kept knocking—knocking louder than before.

And the scattered pile of papers out some very curious capers, being lifted by the breezes coming through another door; and we wished (the wish was evil, for one man to be so) that Jenks was the devil, to stay there evermore—Jenks, the never tiring bore.

Backing up our patience firmer, then, without another murmur, "Mr. Jenks," said we, "your pardon, your forgiveness, we implore. But the fact is, we were reading of some curious proceedings, and, thus, it was, unheeded, your loud knocking there before."

Here we opened wide the door. But fancy now our feelings—for it wasn't Jenks the bore—Jenks the nameless evermore.

But the form that stood before us caused a trembling to come o'er us, and memory bore us back again, to days of yore; days when "itens" were in plenty, and where o'er this writer went he picked up items by the score. 'Twas the dark form of our "devil" thrust in attitude unevil, and he thrust his head within the door with, "the form's out of copy, sir, and says he wants some more!"

Yes, like Alexander, wanted more! Now, this "local" had already walked about till nearly dead—he had sauntered through the city till his feet were very sore—walked through the streets so dusty, and by-ways running off into all portions of the city, both public and obscure—had examined every store, and questioned every "feller" whom he met from door to door, if anything was stirring—any accident occurring—not published heretofore, and had met with no success; he would rather kinder guess he felt a little wicked at the way he had treated his message for the foreman, that he wanted something more.

"Now, 'tis time you were departing, you young imp," cried we, upstarting, get you back into the office—office where you were before; or the words you have spoken will get your bones all broken, (and we seized a enigma book, that was lying on the floor); take your hands out of your pockets, and leave the sanctum door; tell the foreman there's no copy, you ugly little bug."

And our devil, never sitting, still in flitting, still in flitting, back and forth upon the landing, just outside our sanctum door; tears down his face are streaming, strange light from his eye is beaming, and his voice is heard still screaming, "Sir, the foreman wants some more."

—Washington Paper.

Our Drinks, and the Process of Getting Drunk.
At the beginning of a carouse of a drunkard, alcohol stimulates the action of the heart, which now sends blood rapidly to the lungs for aeration. A large supply of blood disks consequently reach the brain, which is stimulated into activity. The ideas of the drinker now flow rapidly—at first coherent, but without control; the brain matter wastes too rapidly, and delirium ensues. During this time the volatile alcohol is diffusing itself through the system, converting arterial into venous blood, and loading that fluid with a spirit which has a tendency to prevent change in the tissues, so that the drunkard becomes stupid, falls off his chair in the stupor of sleep, or, if too far gone, dies of venous apoplexy.

Green tea, yellow skin, "all gone" stomachs, shaky nerves, irritable temper. All women fifty years old who have habitually drunk strong tea show the same skin, teeth, and nerves.

Black tea is better, but chargeable with the same effects in a milder form. Coffee produces congestion of the brain, palpitation, and indigestion; but in the long run is less mischievous than either green or black tea.

Chocolate is better, but tends to sluggishness of the stomach and liver. Milk is still better, but must be used in moderation, or general dullness, with liver torpidity, will ensue. Milk-drinking with our food is a mischievous practice. Blisters and constipation are common results.

Cold Water is an excellent drink. I recommend it for all persons of both sexes, of all ages, for the sick and well, for the weak and strong.—Exchange.

Worsted was first spun at a village of that name near Norwich, England, canaries came from Cambray, damasks from Damascus, dimity from Damietta, cordovan from Cordova, calico from Calcut, and muslin from Moussul.

About Humor.

Humor will often dispose best of enthusiastic or frantic fancies. In Dean Swift's time, a tailor near him took it into his head that he was divinely called to interpret the prophecies, especially Revelation.

One night he received the commission to declare the word of the Lord to the Dean, and bright and early the next morning he was on his way to do it. Through his glass door the Dean saw him coming, and surmised his errand. Putting on a grave, studious air, and opening his Bible to Rex. x., with a fixed attention he awaited the prophet's approach. The door opened, and in an unearthly voice it was announced—"Dean Swift, I am sent by the Almighty to—" "Come in, come in, my friend," said the Dean, "I am in great trouble, and no doubt the Lord has sent you to help me out of my difficulties." The prophet was cheered by the welcome. He was all ears in more senses than one. "My friend," said the Dean, "I have just been reading Rev. x., and am greatly distressed with a difficulty, and you are the very man to help me out. Here is an account of an angel that came down from heaven, and was so large that he placed one foot on the land and the other upon the sea, and lifted up his hands to heaven. Now my knowledge of mathematics has enabled me to calculate exactly the form and size of this angel; but I am in great difficulty, for I wish to ascertain how much cloth it will take to make him a pair of breeches; and as that is in your line of business, I have no doubt the Lord has sent you to show me."

The poor tailor was confounded. He felt as if struck by an electric shock. He rushed back to his shop; a revelation of feeling came over him, and he was fully satisfied that his calling did not lie in the line of prophetic interpretation.

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For a lady to sweep her carpet with embroidered undersleeves, would be considered indecently dirty; but to drag the pavement with her skirt seems to be very genteel.

"A man is, in general, better pleased," says Dr. Johnson, "when he has a good dinner upon his table, than when his wife talks Greek."

Monarchy.—The first five points of monarchy are a hereditary monarch, a nobility, a standing army, an established church and a strong police.

"Something Different"—A Lager Beer story.

"I pessed glad to see you, like ash never wash, Mister Cris; when did Zinzinnaty go away from you?"

Such was the warm salutation of a Teutonic friend, whom we met the other day in a distant city, where he had recently gone to reside. The reader might not guess in a long time what business our friend from Cincinnati was engaged in, so we will tell you; he kept a lager beer saloon.

"How do you like your new location?" we inquired after his raptures at meeting a Cincinnati had somewhat abated.

"Nice boys in this town; nice boys. The first night yet I opens mine saloon, they comes in and galls for lager beer, doo, eight, cox, half a tozzon of em; unt ven I says, 'Who makes pay for this tozzon already?' by tam they say put it on the schlate. I dole tem, 'I don't geep no schlate.' Den dey says, 'you petter as send unt by a schlate.' Vell, I wants to agnomodate—there's no principal in dose things—so I pougnt a schlate. The peer gept calling for more poy, unt I gept putting the schlate onto dem. Pooty kyick already I dells tem the schlate it pees full on poth side, unt den dey dells me if the schlate pees full I petter ash fill my tam 'Tuch head mit 'em! Vell, dat ish all right—there's no principal in dose things—dey are nish poy."

"Pooty bime by after liddle, they makes smash mit mine par, preaks mine pottles, unt knocks hail tannation out of mine looking glass mit mine head. Mine Cott! I vash mad. I radder you kive me ten dollars so much ash I vash mad. But dat pees all right—there's no principal in dose—that makes nish difference. Nice poy!"

"Then they galls me a tam 'Tuch son 'f kum, unt I dells tem they petter as go to the tiffel, their own tam American soonagun. Vash I right? Vell, that makes nothing different."

"They knocks the staircase town mine frow, unt throws the window out of the papy. That's all right—makes nothing difference—there's no principal in that—nice poy—but (growing very much excited, and emphasizing each word on the bar with his fist) they puts water in mine class of beer—there's some principal in dose things—that makes somethings different!"

In a western village a charming, well preserved widow had been courted and won by a physician. She had children; among them a crippled boy, who had been petted, and, if not spoiled, certainly allowed a very great "freedom in debate." The wedding day was approaching, and it was time the children should know they were going to have a new father. Calling her crippled boy, she said:

"George, I am going to do something before long that I would like to talk about with you."

"Well ma, what is it?"

"I am intending to marry Dr. Jones in a few days, and—"

"Bully for you ma, does Dr. Jones know it?"

"Ma caught her breath, but failed to articulate a response."

A horse-jockey out West, has reduced this system of life-mules to its most practical expression in his own case. He has only four, but these include, in his opinion, the whole problem of existence. The first is, "Never lend a dollar unless you receive two as collateral security." The second is, "Never refuse to drink with a man, because it does not cost you anything." The third is, "Never ask a man to drink, because it does cost you something." And the last, which contains the gem of the code, is, "Never mind what happens so long as it does not happen to yourself."

This is certainly simple, and, from a horse-jockey point of view, complete.

Ole Bull was once seeing the sights at Donnybrook Fair, when he was attracted by the sound of a very large violin in a tent. He entered and said to the player:

"My good friend, do you play by note?"

"The devil a note, sir."

"Do you play by ear, then?"

"Never an ear, your honor."

"How do you play, then?"

"By main strength, he jabez."

"My dear," said a husband to his wife one day, while in a car, "are you comfortable in the corner there?"

"Oh, yes, snug."

"Don't you feel cold?"

"Not in the least."

"Does your window shut close?"

"Yes, very, thank you."

"Well, come, let's swap seats."

A jolly darkey down south bought himself a new shiny hat, and when it commenced raining he put it under his coat. When asked why he didn't keep his hat on his head he replied: "Do hat's mine; bought him wid my own money; head belongs to massa, let him take keer he own property."

A Nobleman asked a clergyman once, at his table, "Why the goose, if there was one, was always placed next the parson?" "Really," said he, "I can give no reason for it; but your question is so odd that I shall never see a goose, for the future, without thinking of your lordship."

"Whenever I marry," says masculine Ann, "I must really insist upon marrying a man." But what if the men (for the men are but men) should be equally nice about wedding a woman!

"Oh! Miss," said a love-sick swain, "if I were but you star, how brightly I would shine for you!" "What a pity," said she, musingly, "that you can't shine here!" He went out directly.

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WEDNESDAY, JAN. 20, 1893.

REPUBLICAN LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS.

Hon. Alexander Ramsey Nominated U. S. Senator on the First Ballot.

Pursuant to call the Republican members of the Legislature met at the Hall of the House of Representatives last evening to nominate a candidate for U. S. Senator to be elected on Tuesday, the 10th inst.

Hon. J. B. Crocker, chairman of the caucus committee, read the call. Hon. Dana E. King of the Senate was elected chairman, and Hon. J. C. Stover of the House was chosen Secretary.

On motion the roll was called and every member answered to his name.

Hon. C. H. Clarke moved to proceed to a formal ballot for a candidate for U. S. Senator. Hon. J. A. Leonard moved to amend so as to have an informal ballot first, which latter motion was seconded by Hon. S. R. Sheardown. The motion to amend was lost and Mr. Clarke's motion prevailed. The chairman appointed as tellers Messrs. Hobart, Armstrong, and Sheardown.

Hon. Warren Bristol nominated Hon. Alexander Ramsey as a candidate for U. S. Senator.

Hon. J. B. Wakefield nominated Hon. M. S. Wilkinson. Messrs. Bristol and Wakefield commended their respective nominees in brief speeches.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, 53, of which Alexander Ramsey received 28; M. S. Wilkinson, 22; S. J. R. McMillan, 1; Wm. Window, 1; W. H. C. Folsom, 1.

In addition to the above there was one blank cast.

On motion of Mr. Wakefield, the nomination of Mr. Ramsey was unanimously by acclamation.

The Chair appointed a committee of two, consisting of Hon. C. D. Davison and Hon. J. B. Wakefield, to wait on Mr. Ramsey and inform him of the election of the caucus, and invite him to make an address of acceptance of the nomination just made, which duty was promptly performed by the committee, who immediately returned accompanied by the distinguished gentleman.

Mr. Ramsey, after being introduced by the Chairman, spoke as follows:

SENATOR RAMSEY'S SPEECH.
Senators and Representatives, My Friends and Fellow Citizens:

I return you my heartfelt thanks for the honor you have conferred upon me in re-nominating me for the position of United States Senator. I have been a member of the Whig and Republican parties for thirty years, and have, in that time, received from both parties many generous proofs of their confidence. But in all my long experience I have never before been placed in a position where a renewed expression of this confidence was more gratifying to me than at the present time. My character and record have been so persistently assailed that I was naturally solicitous to be sustained by the representatives of the party and the people I have so long labored to serve, and on whose sense of justice I relied for the vindication I felt to be due to me and to them. I am, therefore, deeply grateful to you for this assurance of your favor and confidence, and I shall use my best efforts to deserve it. For twenty years I have been a citizen of this State, to which all my heart and all my hopes—all that I have and all that I have—belong. During this period it has grown up from a very small and feeble Territory to a great and flourishing State. I have watched its progress from its small beginnings through all the stages of its development with pride, and my highest ambition has been to be instrumental in some small degree in promoting its interests.

I am glad that you have given me another opportunity to labor still further in its service in an influential public position.

In regard to the political differences which to the regret of all moderate men, have arisen in the party I can assure you that all my efforts and those of my friends will be directed to the restoration of harmony, good feeling and unity among those Republicans who have been estranged by unfortunate controversies. Again, gentlemen, I thank you for the high honor you have bestowed upon me. The Caucus then adjourned sine die.

Tax Law.

We see scattered throughout the county, petitions to the Legislature for the passage of a law similar to what was termed "Wakefield's Homestead Tax Bill," of last winter, and we understand that Wakefield is pledged for its success this time. We hope it will succeed, and thought that it might have succeeded last winter if the friends of the measure were in earnest. There is a law for the collection of such taxes now, and under the order of the State Auditor heretofore there was much doubt. We say, let out those doubtful accumulations be struck out and begin anew. Mr. Wakefield can succeed if he will it.

What Railroads will Do.

From the Lanesboro Herald we learn that the 2d of July, 1868, Lanesboro was not. In the midst of a hard rain storm, on the 3d of July, the first heard reached the town site. It was dark, and the driver could not find the "team" in which the citizens of the town lived. He turned his team loose, crawled under a board and lay there till morning. On the 4th of July a half dozen men had been employed and the first shanty nailed together. Every man that could be got was employed; but until the immense harvest was gathered, the entire force on all the various works of the town did not exceed twenty men.

The depot for supplies was fixed at Ruskford, that then being the terminus of the Southern Minnesota Railroad. This was twenty miles distant. Provisions, lumber, nails, the iron for the various side tracks, everything, had to be drawn over the worst roads in the county this distance, before anything could be done. Stone quarries must be opened, lime kilns built and lime made before work could be really commenced. Thus the first month was spent in getting ready to go to work.

To-day, the improvements foot up \$172,000, and the population of the town is four hundred.

Business houses are being rapidly completed, and filled as soon as finished. There are now in full operation, one large, and well filled dry goods store, two grocery stores, one millinery store, one hardware store, one drug store, one meat market, two blacksmith shops, and two saloons. Six other store rooms are nearly completed, and will be stocked in two or three weeks. The railroad has been in full operation to that point but little more than a month, and the telephone was only ready for the transmission of news, last week.

On the 5th inst. 3,600 bushels of wheat were delivered at Lanesboro, and 2,200 bushels on the succeeding day. The average shipments of flour from that point are 1,200 barrels per week.

So much for the statistics of one railroad station. Waseca is another example of rapid growth. Every railroad town in the State has its proud record of sudden bigness, and everywhere along the line of these commercial claims which bind together the cities and towns, of the Union, land suddenly takes a leap, and the poor, plodding ox-cart farmer is at once lifted from the sloughs of poverty to the highway of affluence and ease; and "local" news items spring up thick and fast, where before it required a dispensation of Providence to produce a three liner.

The Finale.

Of the number of towns voting on the proposition of Mr. Thompson for the purpose of hurrying up the railroad, only three have accepted. There is no compulsion in this matter; if towns cannot see an advantage in the measure, they will not vote. The people here felt a deep interest because it ensured the road, and that speedily. In other towns, some persons feared a fraud, others felt sure of the road soon without this bonus, others were not satisfied with the location of the depot, and still others did not want the road any way.

We rest our case and wait for further developments; time will tell who is right.

Senator Ramsey Re-nominated.

Senator Ramsey was re-nominated for the United States Senate, last Thursday. He has always been true to his country, to Minnesota, and to himself, and there are very many people in this Legislative District who will rejoice at his preference, other than those who have smiled on Senator Wilkinson, through fear that he might once more be entitled to a seat on the floor of the National Senate.

We believe that Senator Ramsey will in no way prove recreant to any trust, and as he commands the respect of his enemies, Minnesota will always be proud of her representative.

Minnesota Legislature.

From the list of Standing Committees, we notice that Mr. Wakefield is Chairman of the Committee on Railroads, and one of the Committee on State Prison. He is also on the Joint Committee on Agricultural College Lands and College.

In the House, Mr. Hunter is on the Committee on Federal Relations, Indian Affairs, and Enrollment.

The House passed the bill to appropriate \$53,000 for Legislative Expenses, and also the resolution in favor of printing 150 copies of the Legislative Manual for 1893.

Mr. Hunter gave notice of a bill to establish a term of District Court in the county of Jackson.

Every Lodge in the State was represented at the Grand Lodge which convened in St. Paul last week, and all the Grand Lodge officers were re-elected; as follows:
M. W. C. W. Nash, St. Paul, G. M.
R. W. R. A. Jones, Rochester, D. G. M.
R. W. S. R. Merrill, Lake City, G. S. W.
R. W. S. Y. Hyde, St. Charles, G. J. W.
R. W. G. L. Otis, St. Paul, G. T.
R. W. W. S. Combs, St. Paul, G. S.

Astronomical.

From the Stillwater Republican.
The celestial phenomena occurring from the 1st to the 11th of the present month, namely: the conjunctions of the Moon and Mars; Saturn and Venus; Saturn and the Moon; Venus and the Moon, either occurred after sunrise, or were too deeply immersed in the morning twilight to be visible.

On the 15th inst. at four minutes past seven o'clock p. m. the planet Jupiter, the largest belonging to the solar system, will be seen 3 degrees 45 minutes due north from the moon's center.

On the 27th an eclipse of the moon. The eclipse, taking place early in the evening, will (if the atmosphere be clear) be generally observed.

The first contact of the moon with the earth's shadow will be on her N. E. limb at 6.15 minutes p. m. Middle of the eclipse 7.25 minutes. Last contact on the moon N. W. limb, 8.35 p. m. Duration 2.21.

At 25 minutes past 7 o'clock, a line were drawn east and west across the moon's center, the dark portion of her disc would extend down and almost touch this line at the center, but would be 20 degrees above at the ends; at this moment, the enlightened portion of the moon will embrace 240 degrees of her circumference and the darkened portion 120 degrees. I mention this feature in the appearance of the eclipse merely to attract the attention and scrutiny of the curious.

January 29th the moon will occult the brilliant star Regulus in the constellation of Leo. The star is of the finest magnitude, and may be seen in the east at any time after 8 o'clock in the evening, shining with a clear, white light; above this star are five or six stars of about the 3d magnitude, lying in a semi-circle, the convex of the circle towards the north, and known as the "Sickle." Regulus being in the handle. This star lies in the ecliptic, and is much used for determining longitude at sea; although one of the largest in the solar system, he has no appreciable diameter, owing to his immense distance. The star will appear slowly approaching the moon's eastern limb, and the least conceivable measure of time will intervene between the contact and the disappearance. The occultation will be: Immersion 2 o'clock and 45 minutes morning. Emersion 3 o'clock and 40 minutes. Duration 55 minutes.

A. VAN VOHRES.

Correspondence.

BLUE EARTH CITY, MINN.,
Jan. 12th, 1893.

EDITOR HOMESTEAD, Dear Sir:—I have just noticed the "Whereas" and "Resolved" of certain Democratic citizens of the 20th Senatorial District, purporting to have met in your city pursuant to call for Mass Meeting wherein I am "censured for bad faith" to the Democratic party, and directly charged with declaring in public and private, that I had heretofore made, and should continue to make, the interests of the Democratic party subservient to the interests of Blue Earth City on Railroad and local issues. This charge is false, and has its foundation in Republican lies. That I urged the Democratic candidate last fall to withdraw from the field is true. I also urged them to make their withdrawal public, that none should be fooled by voting for candidates not in the field. My reason for this advice was that the Democratic ticket of this section of the District could not be maintained upon our candidates during the pendency of our local issues.

I do not propose to enter into any discussion of these questions at present. These gentlemen have been misinformed. I stand ready to answer any, and all charges made by Democrats or Respectable Republicans against me as a Democrat, at any duly authorized meeting of the Democracy of the 20th District. But to answer all the reports and stories that have been circulating throughout this District, in reference to what I said or did during the election, would be "Love's labor lost,"—of no interest or consequence to myself or the Democratic party.

The fact is, that this little meeting at your city is but a continuation of our local squabbles. While I respect some of the men comprising said meeting, I think their zeal as excited by their local prejudices. Whatever these arguments may do, I hope they will not prevent me from voting the Democratic ticket.

Very Respectfully, &c.,
Geo. B. KINGSLEY.

Important to Free.

The following important information is from the "Banner of Light," the organ of Spiritualists:

"Celestial man takes on six enveloping clothing in his descending cycle, his outer clothing life, his incarnations; or, perhaps, better worded, he grows outwardly from himself, as spirit, into six degrees of expression, his seventh degree being himself, most internal, most definite in the special or analytic sense (which is the larger diviner) when making his upward cycle of movement; for then he exercises his negatives, his superficial and artificial characteristics, and makes himself more consciously immortal in wholeness—in the seven degrees of his unfoldment being, conscious of his past consciousness—a hard, one trinity in unity, Lords and Lords."

Northfield is a railroad town. Her building statistics for 1892, foot up \$102,300. Moral:—Vote no aid to railroads.

The cooper shop that was burned last week Thursday, has been rebuilt much larger than the former building, being 24x60 feet, and is now ready for the coopers to resume their labors. While the fires were still smouldering, timbers and lumber were being drawn on the spot for another building. We think that such a building would have required some five or six weeks time for its completion in the eastern wooden hutmeg State.—Northfield Enterprise, 8th.

The editor hereof is the happy recipient of a New Year's gift weighing nine and a half pounds!—The donor wished us not to mention it, so keep "num," gentlemen.—Garden City Herald.

Northfield is determined to be a city. Articles of incorporation have been adopted in the shape of a bill to present to the present Legislature.

At a large railroad meeting held at Lake City, Minn., last Wednesday, it was voted unanimously to give bonds of \$75,000 for thirty years to the River Railroad upon its completion; it was a hearty and unanimous expression of the leading citizens, and will undoubtedly be ratified by the popular vote of the town.—St. Paul Press.

Newspaper Decision.

The following legal decisions in relation to Newspapers, from the highest authorities, we wish every Postmaster, and every subscriber to a newspaper throughout the country, would take the trouble to read carefully:

1. A postmaster is required to give notice by letter (returning the paper does not answer the law) when a subscriber does not take his paper from the office; and state the reason for its not being taken, and a neglect to do so makes the postmaster responsible to the publisher for the payment.

2. Any person who takes a paper regularly from the Post Office—whether directed to his home or another—or whether he has subscribed or not, is responsible for the payment.

3. If a person orders his paper discontinued, he must pay all arrearages or the publisher may continue to send it until payment is made, and collect the whole amount whether it is taken from his office or not.

4. If a subscriber orders his paper to be stopped at a certain time, and the publisher continues to send it, the subscriber is bound to pay for it if he takes it out of the Post office. The law proceeds on the ground that a man must pay for what he uses.

5. The courts have decided that refusing to take newspapers and periodicals from the Post Office, or removing and leaving them uncollected, is a *prima facie* evidence of intentional fraud.

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See Advertisement of American Saddle Sewing Machine in our advertising columns.

R. B. Johnson, County Treasurer, will be in town to-day for the purpose of collecting taxes.

Eugene Huntington of Verona, last thirty sheep, about 3 o'clock last Sunday morning, by dog.

The Third Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Editors' and Publishers' Association, was held at St. Paul yesterday. Ye editor of the HOMESTEAD left for the scene of action on Monday last.

Quite an interesting conflict took place at Sperry's Post Office in the town of Nashville, Martin county, last Sunday morning, between an old gentleman by the name of Grant, and a young man, whose name we did not learn. The young man finally settled the matter by settling the old man with a sled-stake.

No. 8 cook-stoves furnished complete for \$28.00 at the Hardware store in Winnebago City.

Remember that Dr. G. Holmes Crary, Surgeon Dentist, will be at the Collins House in Winnebago City, from Jan. 27th till Feb. 7th. The Dr. extracts teeth without pain by the use of Nitrous Oxide, Chloroform or Ether. He pays particular attention to filling natural teeth, and also to correcting irregularities of children's teeth. All work is made satisfactory, or no payment required. Superiority of workmanship promised.

Dentistry.
Dr. A. C. May (Dentist) will be at Winnebago City on or near the 13th of February, and will remain one week. Will be at Blue Earth City the previous week.
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Minnesota Head Quarters in New York City.

No. 2, Astor House, New York, is known as "Minnesota Head Quarters," and the sixth year of the "Institution" has just closed. Col. J. W. Prince is the gentlemanly individual who presides at No. 2, and answers all questions relative to the men, manners, and dirt of the North Star State, and keeps files of nearly all the Minnesota newspapers for the entertainment of his guests. His report for 1898 appears in the St. Paul Pioneer, and the articles as compared with previous years, show a decided increase: 442 residents of Minnesota having registered their names.

Winnebago City has only one representative, though seven or eight of our citizens were in New York during the year. Hereafter, we hope they will not neglect the "consul."

Section-Riding.—Wednesday last, the genial sun shone kindly on a party of five ladies of our village, bent on riding at their own expense, and at all hazards, horses or no horses. When we gave them our best wishes for a good time, we confess we had little faith. Pat Allen thought his horses ne'er drew such weight before. The ladies were merry as the bells, and though Allen looked dubious, they declared two of the lead able to push up hill. But thanks to the gallantry of the Hon. A. C. Dunn, another team, additional roles and bells soon sent them trotting out of town with merry peals of laughter and handkerchiefs floating on the breeze.

Blue Earth City seemed far enough distant when they thought of the jolly landlord of the Constans House, already looking for them. We had no fears for Constans—he always has enough, and no witness need attest the extra qualifications of the sisterhood to do justice to the beautiful table spread.

They left laughing, and came home singing "Come, come away from earthly cares retreating," and anon—

"Should such acquaintance be forgot," winding up with "Glorious hallojahn!"

Furthermore we hope the next ride will be proportionately comprised of gents. Have they forgotten how gallant the ladies of Leap Year 1898?

Will the Mayor attend to the matter?

OSWARD.—Such is the title of Mayne Reed's Magazine, published by G. W. Carleton, 497 Broadway, New York. The first number is upon our table, and we see that "its design is not only to entertain and amuse, but to instruct, elevate, and conduct the youth of America along that path leading to the highest and noblest manhood." Its literature is entirely original, and it is embellished with original illustrations printed upon tinted paper. Yearly subscription, \$3.00.

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How to Cook Macaroni.
Macaroni is an article of food which we should like to see in more common use in this country. When our people learn to make it, as well as to make it in Naples; and what is equally as important to cook it as the Neapolitans do, it will be as much used here as it is there, for it is, or might be, cheap and healthful.

The flour is specially ground for it; and the best article of macaroni is re-tailed in the Neapolitan provinces for five and six cents a pound. A commoner and coarser article is much used by the common people, which sells for about half this price. It is difficult to imagine what the *bosse gente*, the lower classes, would do without macaroni.

Here, we think, it is usually baked with cheese, a style in which no Italian could be induced to eat it. They regard baked cheese as very indigestible. They boil their macaroni until it is tender, which ordinarily requires about ten minutes, and then serve it up with butter or the sauce of the *ragu*. To make this dish they take a piece of beef without bone, and after cutting an onion into small pieces and cooking it thoroughly in a kettle, they place the meat on the onion, and after it is partially cooked they add tomatoes, prepared as they would be for stewing; adding more from time to time, and sometimes water, and cooking for three or four hours. The meat is then served up by itself, and the tomato sauce is poured over the macaroni. They always have some grated cheese on the table, to be sprinkled on the macaroni by those who like it.

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THE FOOTSTEPS OF DECAY.

The following is a translation from an ancient Spanish poem, which, says the Edinburgh Review, is surpassed by nothing with which we are acquainted in the Spanish language, except the "Ode of Louis de Leon."

Oh! let the soul its slumbers break—
Arouse its senses and awake
To see how soon
Life, in its glories, glides away,
And the stern footsteps of decay,
Come stealing on.

And while we view the rolling tide,
Down which our dawning minutes glide
Away so fast,
Let us the present hour employ,
And deem each minute-dream a joy
Altogether past.

Let us vainly hope deceive the mind,
No happier let us hope to find
To-morrow than to-day;
Our golden dreams of youth were bright,
Like them the present shall delight—
Like them decay.

Our lives like hasting streams must by,
That into an engulfing sea
Are doomed to fall—
The sea of death, whose waves roll on
Overking and kingdom, crown and throne,
And swallow all.

Alas! the river's lordly tide,
Alas! the humble rivulet's glide
To that sad wave!
Death levels poverty and pride,
And rich and poor sleep side by side.

Our birth is but a starting place;
Life is the running of the race;
And all that glitters here is brought—
Through death alone, of all unthought,
Island of all.

See, then, how poor and little worth
Are all those glittering toys of earth
That lure us here;
Dreams of a sleep that death must break;
Alas! before it bids us awake,
We disappear.

Long are the days of death can blight,
The cheek's pure glow of red and white,
Has passed away;
Youth smiled and all was heavenly fair—
Age came and laid his finger there,
And where are they?

Where is the strength that spurred decay,
The step that roved so light and gay;
The heart's blithe tone?
The strength is gone, the step is slow,
And joy grows wearisome, and woe;
When age comes on!

SONNET: TO MY PIPE.
Thou thing of clay, farewell! I've cherished thee
With deeper love than pen or tongue can tell,
And hard indeed it is, to say farewell,
For thou a constant friend hath been to me,
At breakfast, dinner, lunch, and after tea,
Of late I watched thy changing breath
Go circling upward, now as black as death,
Now white as downy duck on a common day,
But thus no more: thou art, old pipe, snuffed out.

No more thy final, cloud-like breath shall pull
In mystic circles from a living bowl,
To aid digestion and relieve the gout;
Thy hardy toiled thee, harder still to say,
Like other pipes, thou art but common clay.

Let any man pass an evening in vacant
idleness, or even in reading some silly
tale, and compare the state of his mind
when he goes to sleep or gets up next
morning, with its state some other day
when he has spent a few hours in going
through the proofs, by facts and reasoning,
of some of the great doctrines in
natural science, learning truths wholly
new to him, and satisfying himself by
careful examination of the grounds on
which known truths rest, so as to be not
only acquainted with the doctrines of
himself, but able to show why he
believes them, and to prove before others
that they are true; will find as great
a difference as can exist in the same being
—the difference between looking back
upon time unprofitably wasted, and time
spent in self-improvement; he will feel
himself in one case listless and dissatisfied,
in the other case, if he did not appear to
himself humbled, at least will not have
earned any claim to his own respect; in
the other case, he will enjoy a proud consciousness of having, by his own exertions,
become a wiser, and therefore a more
exalted nature.—Lord Brougham.

Christ is Left.
I wish my voice could go out along the
lines of worshippers, and through the
chambers of the sick. I would that I
could speak to those who cannot hear me
for distance, for we are surrounded by
multitudes of those on whom the mark is
set. As tides ebb and flow silently, so
life is flowing away from them, and the
cheek is growing paler, and the lustrous
eye ere long shall be closed. Many there
are who are going down through the
valley of humiliation, through the valley of
suffering. They seem to themselves to be
drifting further and further from companions.
Home is gone. Health is gone. Friends are gone. Property is gone. Life is gone. Of all sad, sad
things to the mere worldly mind, is the
departure of such a one. And yet no man
is going down towards death alone.
Surely, never more than here, may one
place upon his banner: "He goeth before
me." You are walking in the very
footsteps of your Master, and along the
very way which is full of blessed reminiscences
of his presence and of his suffering.—Becher.

We celebrate nobler obsequies to
those we love by drying the tears of
others, than by shedding our own; and
the fairest funeral wreath we can hang
on their tomb is a fruit-offering of good
deeds.—Jean Paul.

Night brings out stars as sorrow shows
us truths: we can never see the stars
till we can see little or naught else—and
thus it is with truth.

How a Convict Won Pardon.

"Will you ever give up those trips,
Terrence? It is so lonely staying here
nights, and, besides, I am fearful that
some one will break in and rob the house
and murder us all. I never say my
prayers and go to bed without trembling
for my life and that of the children," and
the little woman hung upon the arm of
the strong man, begging him with tear-
ful eyes to give up his wandering life
(that of a peddler) and settle down.

"I am not so soon as I have gathered enough
together to buy me a bit of ground, or
what would be better still, to emigrate
to America, that blessed land of freedom,
where, as the song says 'there's bread
and work for all,' and the bright sun is
always shining, I'll gladly give up carrying
the pack, for it is no easy work at the best."

"Only think of the money you have
in the house now, husband dear! Surely
there is enough to take us across the
sea—you and I and the children, and
Bridget, too, if she likes to go."

Bridget was the servant girl who helped
the wife of the peddler and was her
sole companion when he was away, and
her eyes shined with apparent delight
when she heard the proposition. But
she said nothing, and "the master" continued:

"It is true for you, Kathleen, that I
have a matter of a hundred pounds or so,
which I shall leave for you to take care
of; and if I have good luck this trip I
promise you to either remain at home or
go to America, bless her. It's a good
friend she has been to Ireland, and many
is the poor soul she has kept from starving.
So take good care of the gold and the
children, Kathleen—you and Bridget—
until I come back," and he kissed his
wife and bright-eyed, curly-headed
babies, gave Bridget the good-bye, shouldered
his pack, and strode stoutly away,
whistling merrily.

His heart was light, his form strong,
he had none of the fears of his wife, and
was looking forward joyfully to the time
when he would have a little home, "a
pig and a cow and a patch of prates,"
that would belong to himself alone, and
over which no hard-hearted or non-resident
landlord could claim control,
although he would willingly pay his tithes
to the church.

Terrence O'Brien was a peddler by
profession, and what was called a "fore-
handed" man. His family consisted of
a wife, two children, a boy, of scarcely
three years, a babe, and a girl of all
work—Bridget. At the start of his
married life he had rented a little out-
stage that stood in a lonely, out-of-the-way
place; although he had increased his
stores, he had retained possession of it
on the score of economy.

A brave, athletic man, and one who
feared nothing human, he could not un-
derstand the terror of his wife, Kathleen
—in fact, gave them little thought.
Besides, robbery was a thing almost un-
known among the peasantry, and who
would ever think of his having a large
amount of money in his wretched cabin?
But it was not his custom to do so.
Usually he deposited it in a secure place.
So he gave the matter no further thought
than to promise himself that this should
be his last journey (if he did as well as
he anticipated,) and tugged around,
flattering the ruse-checked girls into
purchasing linens with that to dazzle
the eyes of their beaux at the next fair.

With Kathleen, however, it was differ-
ent. As the night began to draw near
and the wind to creep round the corner
of the cabin and whistle down the chimney
with a mournful sound, she bethought
herself of the sovereigns her husband
had left, and taking the bag in which
they were kept from the little cupboard
over the fireplace, she carefully tucked it
between the beds, remarking at the same
time, to Bridget, "that no one would
think of looking for it there."

"No," was the reply. "It would be
a smart man, sure, that would be look-
ing under the children for gold."

The tea was over; they were early
sleepers as well as early risers; the girl
requesting that she might be allowed to
pass the evening with her sister, who
relied about a mile distant, and the anxious
wife and mother, although surely
loath to do so, at length consented, in-
sisting upon an early return.

"But you will be back early, Bridget?"
"Ay, course I will that same. But
don't be after fretting." And the girl
departed.

The lone woman busied herself as best
she might until a late hour, but the girl
did not return. In a fever of excitement
she watched until fully another sixty
minutes had passed, although it appeared
considering it useless to remain up any
longer, sought her own pillow, after
commending herself to Him who is the
protector of the widow and the father of
the fatherless. But she had hardly
closed her eyes before there was a loud
rap upon the door.

"Is that you, Bridget?" she asked
hopelessly.

"No," was the answer, and her heart
sank like lead within her. "No; I am
a stranger—have lost my way; you must
let me in."

"Can't—can't? I am a poor,
lone woman. I dare not let you in."
"You need have no fear. As there
is a God in heaven, I will not harm you."

I am an escaped convict—an innocent
one—and as you have mercy in your
heart, open the door."

When was such an appeal made to an
Irish heart in vain? An escaped convict,
and wanting succor? That is a
talisman to open every door—to have
the potato or bite of bread forced into
the hungry mouth. Yes, it is truly the
open sesame to an Irish heart, and it
operated in this case.

The woman arose, opened the door,
gave the fugitive food, and having again
received his assurance that he would do
her no harm, but on the contrary protect
her, and having also seen him stretch
himself upon the floor before the remnant
of the peat fire, she again sought the
side of her sleeping children.

But even then she was not allowed to
rest. At first her tears kept her awake.
Then came another loud rap for admis-
sion, and both she and her strange visitor
arose.

"Is this part of your gang?" she
asked in trembling whispers.

"I call on heaven to witness," he an-
swered solemnly, "that such is not the
case. Ask them what they want."

She did so, and was told that they
knew she had money in the house, and
were determined to have it.

"Tell them," whispered the stranger,
"that you have a friend with you, and
that it will be dangerous for them to en-
ter."

"I have a friend here," she said going
close to the door, "a man who will pro-
tect me, and you had not better try to
get in."

"I know better," laughed a female
voice, that of Bridget, the servant girl;
"I know that there is nobody there but
the children."

"What shall I—shall I do?" asked
the poor woman, wringing her hands.

"Tell them," again said the stranger,
"that I have pistols, and will shoot the
first one that dares step his foot inside
the door. God help me! I would not
have blood upon my hands; but I promise
to protect you with my life, and I will
warn them you are gone."

"Bridget," shouted Mrs. O'Brien,
"the friend I have here has pistols, and
will certainly kill you. I warn you to
go away."

Again the bold, bad laugh of the ser-
vant girl rang out, and her voice could
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"It's only talking they are. Divil a
one is there in the cabin but the children.
Break down the door and be done with
it. I tell you there's a man a hundred
pounds hidden between the beds."

"Stand back," whispered the convict to
his hostess. "Their blood be upon
their own heads."

Scarcely had the words been uttered
before heavy blows fell upon the hinges.
The self-appointed protector stood a
little one side, calm and firm. In either
hand he held a pistol, and his manner
showed that he was no stranger in the
house.

"Down with the door," shouted Bridget,
"or else stand aside and give me the
ax."

A shower of heavy blows, and it fell.
The false servant girl entered, and
dropped dead with a bullet in her brain.
The foremost of the men met the same
fate, and the others fled. They had
quite enough of bloodshed.

To leave the helpless woman thus, was
not to be thought of by the kind hearted
stranger; and though prison or trans-
portation stared him in the face, he com-
forted her as well as possible, straight-
ening the corpse, and then hastening to
the nearest magistrate, told the entire
story, not even denying who and what he
was.

The facts were too evident even to
be questioned, and, as a reward for
his bravery, the convict was pardoned;
subsequently found to have been convicted
innocently, and when the husband and
father returned, he was readily persuad-
ed to emigrate with the family to "the
land of the free and the home of the
brave."

Nov. in one of the Western States,
Terrence O'Brien has a house by the
side of a beautiful river, and not far
from it another where the once fugitive
convict has a wife and children of his own
to protect, and both families will give, as
an heirloom to their descendants, the lit-
tle but true story of how a pardon was
won.

Mirage on Seneca Lake.
A correspondent of the Geneva (N.Y.)
Courier, thus describes a scene on this
beautiful sheet of water:

"After a few minutes' stop at Lodi
Landing the boat takes a diagonal course
for the landings on the west of the lake,
and in its crossing you are furnished with
some of the finest views of the town of
Long Point and Lodi Point stretch far
into the lake apparently in the north view
and the high hills around the head of the
lake rise up in majesty, while the beau-
tiful rising grounds stretch up from the
east and west shores, varied with wood
and field, and here and there a church
spire towering above the groves. As
you are half across, look back to the
points of land before referred to, and you
will perceive as perfect a mirage as ever
delighted the curious traveler, or ever de-
luded the thirsty Bedouin in the desert
of Sahara or Arabia. A piece of ground
is seen suspended in the air over the
lake, stretching out unsupported, from

the shore. The woods on the extremity
of Long Point, are half submerged with
water, and from the waves, their tops
tower in the sky. The lake stretches
into the land, and you see land and trees
above and below it. From some points
of view, you may imagine, or seem to see,
the groves on one shore stretching out
over the water, and almost meeting the
groves reaching from the other shore.

Why this phenomenon of nature has
never been referred to by travelers, or
poets, who have made the unsurpassed
Seneca the theme of their description, or
of their song, I know not; but to me it
is the most wonderful and beautiful phe-
nomenon visible around the lake. If I
have not misjudged its causes, they are,
that different strata of air stretch over
the lake, affected and formed by the
temperature of the water,—and rays of
light passing from the denser medium
next the water, to the rare above it, are
refracted from the perpendicular, and
bent to the direction of the eye, and as
objects are seen in the last direction of
the rays, they necessarily appear elevated
so that the water appears to have
risen into the air or nearly to the tops of
the trees. If it be about the middle of
the day, with a south wind, we may see
the effect upon the lake's surface of the
wind changing from south to north. The
large swell in the distance, is fretted
over with counter ripples, which does not
at first seem to disturb the present direc-
tion of the waves; but it increases upon
it until the swells subside, and the ripples
increase in size and spread over the
whole surface of the water."

The Number Seven.
This number is frequently used in the
writings of the Bible.

On the 7th day God ended his work.
In the 7th month Noah's ark touched
the ground.

In 7 days a dove was sent out.
Abraham pleaded 7 times for Sodom.
Jacob served 7 years for Rachel.
And yet other 7 more.

Jacob mourned 7 days for Joseph.
Jacob was pursued a 7 day's journey
by Laban.

A plenty of 7 years, and a famine of
7 years were foretold in Pharaoh's dream,
by 7 fat and 7 lean sheaves, and 7 cars
of full and 7 cars of blasted corn.

On the 7th day of the 7th month the
children of Israel fasted 7 days, and re-
mained 7 days in tents.

Every 7th year the land rested.
Every 7th year all bondmen were set
free.

Every 7th year the law was read to the
people.

In the destruction of Jericho, 7 priests
bore 7 trumpets 7 days; on the 7th
day they surrounded the walls 7 times, and
at the end of the 7th round, the walls
fell.

Solomon was 7 years building the
temple, and feasted 7 days at its ded-
ication.

In the tabernacle were 7 lamps.
The golden candlestick had 7 branch-
es.

Naaman washed 7 times in Jordan.
Job's friends sat with him 7 days and
7 nights, and offered 7 bullocks and 7
rams as an atonement.

Our Savior spoke 7 times from the
cross, on which he hung 7 hours, and
after his resurrection appeared 7 times.

In the Lord's prayer are 7 petitions,
containing 7 times 7 words.

In the Revelations we read of 7 church-
es, 7 candlesticks, 7 stars, 7 trumpets,
7 plagues, 7 thunders, 7 vials, 7 angels,
and a 7 headed monster.

Weddings A Hundred Years Ago.
It may be of interest to know how they
arranged marriages a hundred years ago.
An old paper has the following descrip-
tion bearing upon the subject: "Mar-
ried in June, 1760, Mr. William Dou-
glas, a considerable farmer, of Great
Lassie (near Roxbury), in the county
of Cumberland, to Miss Elnora Stottan,
an agreeable gentlewoman of the same
place. The entertainment on this occa-
sion was very grand, there being no less
than one hundred and twenty quarters of
lamb, forty-four quarters of veal, twenty
quarters of mutton and a great quantity
of beef; twelve hams, with a suitable
number of chickens, etc., which was con-
cluded with eight hampers of brandy
made into punch, twelve dozen of cider,
a great many gallons of wine and ninety
bushels of malt made into beer. The
company consisted of five hundred ladies
and gentlemen, who concluded with the
music of twenty-five fiddlers and pipers,
and the whole was conducted with the
utmost order and unanimity."

The Sandusky Register says: A
prize of two dollars was recently offered
to any member of the Connecticut
Teachers' Institute who could write and
spell correctly the words in the following
sentence: "It is an agreeable sight to
witness the unparalleled embarrassment of
an harassed peddler, attempting to
gauge the symmetry of a peeled onion,
which a sybil has stabbed with a poniard,
regardless of the innumerable of the lilies
of cornelian hue." Thirty-eight teach-
ers competed for the prize, but not one
was successful.

The seed of the big trees of California
is a mere speck. It would take a dozen
of them to weigh down an apple seed.

A Thoughtful Wife.

A friend says he has a dear, loving
little wife, and an excellent housekeeper.
On her birthday she moved her low rock-
ing-chair close to his side. He was
reading. She placed her dear little hand
lovingly on his arm, and moved it along
softly towards his coat collar. He felt
nice all over. He certainly expected a
kiss. Dear, sweet, loving creature! and
angel! She moved her hand up and
down his coat-sleeve. "Husband," said
she. "What, my dear?" "I was just
thinking—" "Were you, my love?"
"I was just thinking how nicely the suit
of clothes you have on would work into
a rag carpet." He says he felt cross all
day, the disappointment was so very
great.

A Yankee, riding on a railroad, was
disposed to astonish the other passengers
with tough stories. At last he men-
tioned that one of his neighbors owned
an immense dairy, and made a million
pounds of butter, and a million pounds
of cheese yearly. The Yankee, perceiv-
ing that his veracity was in danger of
being questioned, appealed to a friend:

"True, isn't it, Mr.—? I speak of
Deacon Brown."

"Y-e-s," replied the friend, "that is
I know Deacon Brown, though I don't
know as I ever heard precisely how many
pounds of butter and cheese he makes a
year; but I know that he has twelve
saw-mills that all go by butter-milk."

The following clever lines are from the
pen of a good deacon, a good jurist, and
evidently a good poet:

There is a problem to the schools unknown,
Whereby two added gives the product, six;
Whereby the more their sorrows they divide,
So much the more their joys are multiplied.
And love, abstracted from the willing soul,
Gains while it gives, and thus augments its whole.
Nor stop we here, for when these lovers marry,
Soon oft it happens that there's love so easy!
Yes, two, three, four, to fill the house with joy,
And down the stream of time to bear the name
of Roy.

In an old paper printed nearly a cen-
tury ago, we find the following on mat-
rimony—

Oh, Matrimony, thou art like
To Jerusalem's age;
The good is very good—the bad
Too sure to give the sign.
I never dreamed of such a fate,
When I a lass was courted—
Wife, mother, nurse, seamstress, cook,
housekeeper, chambermaid, landlady,
dairy-woman, and scrub generally,
doing the work of six.
For the sake of being supported.

A poet wrote a stirring ode on a victim
of persecution, who was burned at the
stake about the time that Columbus dis-
covered America, in which occurred the
line—

"See the pale martyr, in his sheet of fire!"
of which the printer was especially proud;
but the printer accidentally got it—

"See the pale martyr with his shirt on fire!"
Of that the poet was not proud.

A revivalist encountered a large-sized
African and asked him:

"My good man, have you found the
Lord?"

To which Sambo replied in a surprised
manner:

"Golly, massa, am de Lord lost?"

MODERN PHRASOLOGY.—His bril-
liant eye sparkled with anger, his thought-
ful brow was moist with perspiration,
his handsome face became pallid as mar-
ble, his well-formed lips curled with
scorn, his symmetrical frame shook with
suppressed passion. Drawing himself
up in a towering position, &c.

Local politics run high in the Western
country. A candidate for county clerk
in Texas offered to register marriages
for nothing. His opponent undismayed,
promised to do the same, and throw the
cradle in.

"Come down from that building, you
rascal, and I'll knock your head off!"
"You will, will you?" "Yes, you
scoundrel, I will." "Then, I guess—
upon the whole—I shan't come down!"

"John, how I wish it was as much the
fashion to trade wives as it is to trade
horses." "Why so, Pete?" "I'd
cheat somebody most shockin' had afore
night."

WANTED—A "sewing-machine," one
about seventeen years old, dark complec-
ted, and generally considered good look-
ing. Second-hand machines not wanted.

A Gloucester paper says there is a
young lady in that town so modest that
she will not allow the Christian Obser-
ver to remain in her room over night.

Old Sir James Herring was remon-
strated with for not rising earlier. "I
can make up my mind to it," said he,
"but cannot make up my body."

EPITAPH ON A DOG.
Paws! stranger, paws! Here lies poor Jack,<

THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

TO ADVERTISERS.
This paper has a larger circulation than any other paper in Faribault County, and is the only paper in the county, which is printed entirely at home.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 27, 1893.

Editorial Convention.

The third Annual Convention of the Minnesota Editors' and Publishers' Association, met at the rooms of the State Historical Society, at St. Paul on the 19th inst. Thirty-two papers were represented. The Address was delivered by Mr. J. A. Wheelock, of the St. Paul Press, and the poem by Mr. Henry A. Castle, of the Anoka Union. The officers of the past year were unanimously re-elected. The re-union was pleasant, and beneficial.

The following is the list of editors present:

- J. A. Leonard, Rochester Post.
- W. B. Mitchell, St. Cloud Journal.
- W. E. Hicks, Alexandria Post.
- D. G. Parker, Freeborn County Standard.
- G. W. Folsom, Taylor's Falls Reporter.
- P. J. Wall, Houston County Journal.
- J. Christensen, Minneapolis Norwalk.

- A. A. Wood, Austin Democrat.
- James B. Child, Waseca News.
- M. R. Prendergast, Le Sueur Courier.
- C. H. Davidson, Mower County Register.
- E. A. Hotchkiss, Free Homestead, Winnebago City.
- M. Williams, St. Peter Tribune.
- W. D. Palmer, Martin County Atlas.
- Irving Todd, Hastings Gazette.
- J. A. Wheelock, F. Driscoll, St. Paul Press.

- H. P. Hall, St. Paul Dispatch.
- John X. Davidson, Capt. R. Davies, St. Paul Pioneer.
- Henry Lindy, Shakopee Argus.
- Wm. Tello, N. W. Chronicle, St. Paul.
- L. P. Plummer, Minneapolis Tribune.
- W. S. Whitmore, Stillwater Republican.
- G. W. Benedict, Sauk Rapids Sentinel.

- A. J. Reed, St. Cloud Times.
- Frank Mead, Farmington Telegraph.
- A. W. McKinstry, Faribault Republican.
- A. W. Landin, Minnesota Independent, Minneapolis.
- D. A. Robertson, Minnesota Monthly, St. Paul.
- W. A. Hotchkiss, Preston Republican.
- H. S. Knapp, Rochester Union.
- J. Schroeder, Ancker, Rochester.
- H. A. Castle, Anoka Union.

New Senators.

Very recently Wisconsin has elected Matt. H. Carpenter for six years from the 4th of March, in place of Boellitt. Massachusetts has re-elected Charles Sumner. New York has elected ex-Governor Reuben E. Fenton over ex-Governor Morgan. Michigan returns Senator Chandler. Carl Schurz goes from Missouri. Maine has elected Hannibal Hamlin in place of Morrill. Delaware has pinned her faith on a single family, and elected James A. Bayard to serve till the 4th of March next, and his son Thomas for the full term. Indiana has elected D. S. Pratt, and Minnesota returns Alex. Ramsey.

Report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

In this important report, it will be seen that in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1892, the sum of one hundred and ninety-one million dollars was collected from internal revenue, the expenses of collecting which were five per cent. The heavy items in this account are the taxes paid on the annual revenue of popular appetite. The amount received, for instance, from the tax on chewing and smoking tobacco was, in round numbers, fifteen million dollars. Add to this the cost of production and dealers' profits, which is estimated to be five times more than the revenue tax, amounting to seventy-five million dollars. All the railroads paid together less than seven millions, the insurance companies less than two millions, and the telegraph and express companies not a million between them, so that chewing and smoking tobacco—our small vice, as they are called—are really "bigger things" in the Commissioner's report than all the railroads, telegraphs or express and insurance companies in the United States taken together. The number of cigars taxed was six hundred millions. It is calculated as many more are used through smuggling, making a grand total yearly expenditure in the United States of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FOR TOBACCO ALONE.—New York Herald.

A man out door hunting lately, says the Winona Republican, a few miles above the city, finding that game was not as plentiful as he desired, concluded to lack of a "square meal" from the tempting form of a buck which he found suspended in the woods. Hardly had his knife touched the animal, however, when a rifle ball entered his right leg—a gentle reminder that the owner of the said deer was not "afar off." Lying down, he kept an eye in the direction from whence the ball came, and presently had the delightful privilege of getting his vengeance on a straggling Winnebago, whom he laid out as cold as "Greenland's icy mountains."

Minnesota Legislature.

In the Senate on the 19th inst. Mr. Wakefield nominated Hon. Alex. Ramsey for United States Senator.

Mr. Lockren nominated Hon. C. W. Nash.

The roll being called Mr. Ramsey received sixteen votes, and Mr. Nash five.

For Mr. Ramsey—Messrs. Batchelder, Bergen, Bristol, Brown, Crocker, Freeman, Gilman, Harris, King, Leonard, Pettit, Potter, Prindle, Sheardown, E. R. Smith, and Wakefield—16.

For Mr. Nash—Messrs. Becker, Castle, Griggs, Lockren, and Seagrave—5. Mr. Henry being absent.

In the House Mr. Pitcher nominated Hon. Alex. Ramsey, and Mr. Baxter nominated Hon. C. W. Nash.

The roll was then called, and the members voted as follows:

For Hon. Alexander Ramsey—Anderson, Armstrong, Bohn, Bryant, Clarke, Easton, Everett, Folsom, Grover, Hall, Hammer, Haskell, Hathaway, Hicks, Hobart, Hollister, Hunt, Hunter, Hyde, Johnson, Larson, Meighan, McGraw, Patterson, Pitcher, Pyle, Rudolph, Rhodes, Sibbison, W. Smith, Stover, Thompson, Tibbets, Vale, Webster, and Mr. Speaker—33.

For Hon. C. W. Nash—Baxter, Cheever, Egan, Faber, Fridley, McDonald, Robbers, L. Smith—8.

Excused from voting—Mr. Lathrop—1.

Absent—Gilman and Proper—2.

At 12 M. on the 20th, both Houses assembled in joint convention in the Representative Hall, and after the Journal of the Senate and House had been read, the Speaker rose and said:

Gentlemen of the Senate and House: It appears from the reading of the Journals of the two Houses that Hon. Alex. Ramsey has received a majority of votes in both branches of the Legislature, he is hereby declared duly elected Senator from the State of Minnesota, for the term of six years, commencing on March 4, 1893.

The reading of the proclamation was greeted with slight applause, and the joint convention at once adjourned.

On the 22d, Mr. Wakefield presented a petition from the citizens of the 20th Senatorial District, for a law compelling County Auditors to strike from tax duplicates, taxes on homesteads.

How to Kill a Town.

A late number of the Dubuque Herald has the following excellent suggestions:

If you wish to kill a town, put up no more buildings than you are obliged to occupy yourself. If you should accidentally have an empty building, and any one should want to rent it, ask about three times its actual value. Turn a cold shoulder to every business man and mechanic who seeks a home among you. Go abroad for your wares rather than purchase of your own merchants and manufacturers at the same prices. Refuse to advertise, so that persons at a distance will not know that any business is being done in your city. A prompt and close observance of these rules will ruin any town in two years.

MINNESOTA STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY.—A meeting of the Society will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 2d, 1893, at St. Paul, at 11 A. M., at the International Hotel. Country and city Medical Societies throughout the State are requested to send delegates. Business of importance will be presented.

THOS. R. POTTS, M. D., F. R. SMITH, M. D., J. H. STEWART, M. D., A. E. AMES, M. D., J. H. MURPHY, M. D.

An Omaha dispatch says a Mrs. Capt. Howard was burned fatally by the accidental explosion of a stove using gasoline.

The Union Pacific Railroad reached the thousandth mile post on Jan. 22d. Government commissioners are now examining the road.

On the 23d inst., a thief boldly crashed a glass panel protecting the counter of Park Bank, in New York, grabbed a package of \$4,000, rushed out, landed the package to a confederate on the steps and escaped. The confederate and money were captured.

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A. D. Lashbrook, 2730-4, Prescott, Jan. 20th, 1893.

MORTGAGE SALE.

WHEREAS, default having been made in the condition of a certain Indenture of Mortgage executed by William E. Woodruff and Mary Woodruff, his wife, of the county of Faribault and State of Minnesota, to Frances Bassett of same place, dated on the 23d day of November, 1887, and recorded in the register's office of Faribault county, on the 7th day of November, 1887, in Book "17" of mortgages, on page 211; which said mortgage was given to secure the payment of the sum of One Thousand Dollars, according to the conditions of two promissory notes for five hundred dollars each, one payable in one year and the other in two years from date, with interest at 7 per cent, and dated on the 23d day of November, 1887; and whereas the said mortgage was on the 25th day of February, 1888, duly assigned by said Bassett to Isaac L. Bowditch, and the said assignment duly recorded in the office of the register aforesaid, in Book "17" of mortgages on page 450, on the 25th day of April, 1888. And whereas there is claimed to be due and is actually due of the debt secured by said mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of Five Hundred and Forty Dollars and eighty cents, being the amount of the first of said promissory notes, together with the sum of twenty-five dollars, stipulated to be paid by said mortgage as attorney's fees on foreclosure, and no proceedings to foreclose or otherwise having been had to recover the same or any part of the debt secured by said mortgage.

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